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## STILL HOPE FOR NAVAL TREATY

## BRITAIN CONTINUES TO SEEK PACT

## FAILURE WOULD SPELL FEARFUL CALAMITY

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London, Dec. 19.

British, American and Japanese delegations to the three-Power naval conversations met at the House of Commons under the chairmanship of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, at 3.45 p.m. to-day and decided upon the adjournment of the naval conversations sine die.

There was no suggestion of anything but the most cordial feeling between the delegates, and the same atmosphere of frankness which has prevailed throughout the conversations was not dispelled to-day, in spite of the Japanese denunciation of the Washington Treaty.

Delegates have not yet given up hope of a resumption of conferences in the near future which may lead to a new naval agreement.—United Press.

London, Dec. 19.

The British Government retains a firm hope that further naval conversations will occur in about two or three months' time, in spite of the announcement of the pending denunciation of the Washington Treaty by Japan, declared Sir John Simon, the Foreign Minister, in a speech broadcast to the nation last night.

Great Britain regretted Japan's decision very much, but nobody was entitled to complain, he said. Japan was quite entitled to abrogate the treaty if she felt it was unsatisfactory.

The Japanese action, though serious, should not be confused with tragedy, said the Foreign Minister.

### CALAMITY NOT ARRIVED

There still remained two years in which to try to arrive at a new agreement. It would be a real calamity, and a fearful one for the world of the future, if there were no treaties limiting the total of warships and the maximum size of fighting craft.

The Government was determined to do everything in its power to preserve the treaty system. It felt that nothing was more important for the peace of the world than for the naval powers with special interests and responsibilities in the Far East to continue to agree to naval limitation and to co-operation in a collective system designed to preserve good and friendly relations between all the nations in the area.

### BRITISH INTERESTS

"The British Commonwealth has responsibilities in the Far East which we must discharge and we cannot yield on the essentials necessary for our security," said Sir John.

"At the same time we must try to put ourselves in the position of others, and we mean to do our utmost to work out with them plans which will do justice to all and provide the equality of security which is the right of every community."

### JAPAN'S PROPOSALS

He referred to Japan's proposals and said that the British Government felt that equality of security was not necessarily reached by such an arrangement as the Japanese desired.

He, and the Government, felt that in view of the greater range of responsibilities in Europe and Asia and elsewhere, and the vast extent of the British sea communications, a comparatively larger British navy was necessary to preserve this "equality of security."

Progress had been made at the London conferences, he asserted, and difficulties had been discussed calmly and frankly, with never a breath of good feeling. Doubtless they had a long way to go, but as soon as the opportunity moment arrived the Government would take appropriate steps to resume the naval conversations.—Reuters.

## CHINESE ARTISTS' EXHIBIT

## WORK PRAISED BY CRITICS

## PREVIEW IN LONDON

London, Dec. 19.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Minister to Britain, gave a reception at the Legation to-day when a selection of Chinese contemporary paintings, which will be exhibited in London in February, was shown to a large and distinguished company.

The guests included Mr. Laurence Binyon and all the leading critics of the country.

The pictures were greatly admired. Critics said that while the old, conventional style of Chinese artistry had been preserved in these exhibits, the method of treatment had been obviously broadened by world influences.

In the painting of birds and flowers, it was generally agreed, the Chinese remain unsurpassed.—Reuters.

## GOLD BLOC'S FUTURE

## LIKELIHOOD OF REVALUATION

Washington, Dec. 19.

The basic economic condition of all the Gold Bloc members indicates revaluation as the logical course.

Trade balances continue unfavourable and unemployment is increasing in France, Belgium and Holland.—Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.

### NEW HEADQUARTERS

Shanghai, Dec. 19.

The Chinese General Post Office and the General Savings Department attached to it will be removed to Nanking next month as their new headquarters at the capital has just been completed.—Central News.

## Kidnapping Trial Delay Opposed

## POLICE REQUIRE MORE TIME

## INVESTIGATIONS INCOMPLETE

Strong objection to a week's further remand was voiced by Mr. M. K. Lo, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he appeared for Luiz Antonio da Rocha, who was charged together with Frederic Barretto on three counts relating to the alleged kidnapping of Luiz Jose Ribeiro, aged six years, from No. 7 Hanou Road, Kowloon.

Detective Sub-Inspector C. Rozesky appeared for the police and said he had been instructed to ask for another week's formal adjournment, and then to get a date fixed for the hearing of the case.

Mr. Lo, in raising an objection, said the police had had plenty of time in which to make their investigations.

Mr. Hamilton, before whom the case was brought, said he knew nothing about it, and granted an adjournment for 24 hours. He requested the appearance either of Mr. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, or a Superintendent of Police to-morrow to give reasons for wishing a week's adjournment. He also asked that an Inspector should then give a rough opening of the case, so that he (Mr. Hamilton) might be able to judge whether the requested adjournment should be granted.

Barretto is still in police custody, while da Rocha is on \$3,000 bail.

## "Our Navy Will Keep Afloat"

## SWANSON FEARS NO JAPAN CHALLENGE

## FORTIFICATION PROGRAMME

Washington, Dec. 19.

"Our navy will still keep afloat," said Mr. Claude Swanson, Secretary of the Navy Department to-day when questioned at a press conference regarding America's naval construction programme in view of Japan's forthcoming denunciation of the Washington Treaty.

He pointed out that the treaty was actually effective for two years after its denunciation, which meant that there was no immediate danger of a naval armaments race and left a considerable time in which the Powers could lay plans for a new agreement.

"Meanwhile," he declared, "we shall do what is necessary for the proper defence of America, her commerce and her industries."

The decision with regard to the naval base and fortification programme, suggested after the signing of the Washington Treaty, had been reserved for the time being, he added.—Reuters.

## MILLION A YEAR LEAGUE FEE

## CHINA WILL PAY UP HER ARREARS

Nanking, Dec. 20.

In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Membership Fee Committee of the League of Nations in dealing with China's demand for reduction in the annual membership fee, an arrangement has been reached with the League of Nations for the payment of membership fees overdue. It provides that the payment of arrears is to be spread over thirty years; that is, China has to pay an annual amount of \$1,200,000, commencing from next year, until 1964.—Central News.



Lieut. Col. John Ward, former Labour M.P., who commanded a battalion of the Middlesex Regiment in Hongkong during the Great War. His death occurred yesterday.

## Former H.K. Officer Dies In London

## LIEUT.-COLONEL JOHN WARD

## ADVENTURE ON TYNDAREUS

London, Dec. 19.

The death occurred to-day of Lieut. Col. John Ward, C.B., C.M.G., at the age of 63 years.

During 1918, Colonel Ward commanded a Middlesex Pioneer Battalion in Hongkong, and whilst on its way here the Battalion underwent a most exciting experience. The troops were aboard the transport Tyndareus and were making the voyage to Hongkong via South Africa.

When near Durban, the Tyndareus struck a mine and so great was the danger of her sinking that the Battalion was drawn up on deck, whilst Colonel Ward addressed the officers and men, urging them to meet death calmly and in accordance with the traditions of the British Army.

With the possibility of the ship foundering at any moment, the troops began singing war-time airs and well-known hymns.

Luckily, however, the vessel just managed to limp into port. The Battalion later came to Hongkong by another boat.

### WENT TO SIBERIA

After serving in Hongkong, the Battalion formed part of the Allied forces which temporarily overthrew Bolshevism in Eastern Siberia, and later Colonel Ward undertook a mission to bring about effective inter-Allied control of the Siberian Railway in 1919.

The late Lieut. Col. Ward had a distinguished military record. He served in the Sudan and also in the Great War. He held the Khedive's Star medal and clasp, British, French, Italian, Czechoslovakian and Russian decorations.

In 1885 he joined the Social Democrat Federation, founded the Navy's Union in 1889, and was elected member of Parliament for Stoke-on-Trent as a Labourite in 1906. He held the seat until 1920.—Reuters.

## SINO-FRENCH NEGOTIATIONS

Nanking, Dec. 20.

Several important points raised in connection with the much discussed draft Sino-French Commercial Treaty during a meeting between M. Willem, French Minister to China, and the Chinese diplomatic authorities, have not been satisfactorily settled. It is likely that further discussion will be held in the near future in order to bring the protracted negotiations to completion.—Central News.

## Guards Kill Three When Mob Charges

## FIRE TO PREVENT LYNCHING

## COURTHOUSE AND GAOL RAIDED

Selbyville, Dec. 19.

Three men are believed to have been killed to-day when National Guardsmen fired on a Tennessee mob which was attempting to seize and lynch a negro charged with attacking a white girl.

The mob tried to storm the gaol here but was repulsed by tear gas. It reassembled later in the day and tried to rush the courthouse where the negro was on trial.

National Guardsmen who were on duty outside the courthouse retreated within and fired from the windows. Three men in the mob are reported to have been killed, and several others wounded, including the brother of the negro's alleged victim.

Reinforcements of cavalry were rushed to the scene, and 65 horsemen joined with the 110 guards on duty in an attack which finally cleared the streets.

Meanwhile, the negro was rushed away by motor car in charge of a deputy sheriff, the prisoner disguised in a National Guardsman's uniform.—Reuters.

## Liner Rammed And Sunk

## PASSENGERS AND CREW SAVED

## COLLISION IN LEIXOES

Oporto, Dec. 19.

The ten thousand ton Royal Holland Lloyd liner Orania was rammed amships, and sank in half an hour, while entering Leixoes harbour to-day.

The Orania was rammed by the Portuguese steamer Loanda while endeavouring to navigate in the obstructed harbour entrance. There were no casualties, the 122 passengers and the crew of 108 being taken out in record time as the ship settled.—Reuters.

## AID FOR COTTON INDUSTRY

## GOVERNMENT PLANS RELIEF

London, Dec. 19.

Methods for improving the position and competitive power of the cotton industry, which include a scheme for elimination of surplus spindles, was referred to by the President of the Board of Trade in answer to a Commons question to-day.

Mr. Runciman said he had promised that if proposals for the elimination of surplus spindles received support from a sufficiently influential proportion of the trade, he would be prepared to ask Parliament for statutory sanction for the collection of the necessary levy.

The scheme was based on an estimate of 30,000,000 running spindles. The Committee responsible for the scheme stated that the change would not impose an undue burden on the industry if spread equitably over all firms. If, however, they were unable to borrow the necessary money on the security provided, and the success of the scheme was thereby endangered, the Government would find some way to assist them to borrow the money.—British Wireless.

### VISITING CHIANG

Nanking, Dec. 20.

En route to Fengshui to visit Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, Ou Fangpu is leaving for Shanghai to-morrow afternoon.—Reuters.

## VULNERABILITY OF AMERICA

## PANAMA CANAL NOT WELL GUARDED

## PUBLISHER SAYS JAPAN AGENTS AT WORK

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Washington, Dec. 19.

Twenty men, willing to risk their lives for their country, would be able to blast the Panama Canal to pieces in twelve hours and block the channel to such an extent that it would be impossible for months on end, declared Mr. Nelson Rounsvelt, publisher of the Panama American, who is visiting eastern points.

The danger to the canal, so vital to the defence of America and the maintenance of her trade, exists because of the fact that its vital points are still unguarded, he said.

These points are still unprotected in spite of his warnings, Mr. Rounsvelt said, which, however, had resulted in making the canal more closely guarded than ever before. He knew the Canal Zone, he added, and lived in that country, and was aware of what went on.

Seventy-five per cent of the Japanese in the area, he asserted, were without visible means of support.

"They run barber shops in which hair is never cut, and shirt factories that never sell shirts, and restaurants that never serve meals," he charged.

"Their fishermen fish with steel lines, without hooks, but with lead sinkers instead, and are obviously taking soundings," Mr. Rounsvelt declared.

### NICARAGUA CANAL

Questioned as to whether any plans had been made for construction of a Nicaragua canal, which many believe is necessary to the effective defence of America's coasts, and which Japan considers would be of advantage to the United States in the event of a Pacific war, President Roosevelt answered jokingly that his family owned enough worthless stock in the old Nicaragua Canal Company to paper a good-size room.

He would not commit himself otherwise.—United Press.

### COSTLY ERROR

Washington, Dec. 19.

Mr. Claude Swanson, Secretary of the Navy, to-day revealed that the new all-steel used in the fuel tanks of the new aircraft carrier Ranger was subject to gasoline corrosion. Therefore the tanks would have to be replaced, he said.

The work entails considerable expense and, more important, delay in commissioning the Ranger. Naval experts still hope, however, that the big ship will be ready to participate in the North Pacific manoeuvres in May.—United Press.

## INDIA REFORM INTRODUCED

## BILL TABLED IN COMMONS

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 19.

Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for India, to-day formally introduced on behalf of the Government, the India Bill, based on the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee. The recommendations have already been accepted by Parliament.

Enactment of the Bill is not expected before the end of 1935, however.—United Press.

The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Captain "A. T. Holland" and Mr. C. C. Stark were amongst the passengers who arrived by the Empress of Japan to-day.

## SILVER SHARES FAVOURED

## MORE TALK OF DEVALUATION

New York, Dec. 19.

The Wall Street Journal reports that traders on Wall Street are very interested in the silver situation, which seems to favour silver shares.

Due to certain silver matters increasing attention in all quarters, as well as the good prospect that the questions will be brought up at the forthcoming Congress, some authorities are saying they would not be surprised if the silver dollar were devalued, thereby raising the price of silver to a level proportionate to gold.—Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.

Silver advanced 1/8th in London yesterday. Speculators bought and offerings were small, the market being steady.



## WORLD NEGLECTS PRECIOUS GIFT

There is not enough laughter in the world to-day. Mirth and gaiety are becoming scarce everywhere, and in some countries have gone out of fashion altogether. There is still, unfortunately, a plentiful supply of mean sneering and bitter humour, but there is a dearth of whole-hearted, rousing, roaring, contagious laughter.

This is a very disturbing state of affairs. Although there is no law against merriment, the feeling of society seems to be strongly against it. Life is too serious. Politics is too bitter and industry too hard pressed. Yet surely it is in such difficult times that laughter is needed most. It helps to restore our balance of mind. We all agree that good humour and a sense of gaiety are necessary ingredients of the complete man. Yet we find ourselves concealing our chuckles behind a cough, and blushing with embarrassment when discovered indulging in free, spontaneous laughter.

The need for laughter was never greater than it is to-day. The world is threatened by ambitious persons and policies that will certainly do us harm unless they are laughed out of existence. Argument or abuse is of little value, for charlatans and their parties thrive on such. Logic and debate may be worthy weapons in social and political criticism, but ridicule is far more powerful. Rogues and their rogueries writhe

laughter?

The Press is said to give the public what the silly public likes. So the fashionable illustrated weeklies provide, for our serious regard, highly diverting photographs of unknown and vacant-looking persons, in ungainly attitudes, sunbathing at Deauville or eating at West-End restaurants. To provoke our laughter they supply drawings of tragic intensity: of wretched gin-soaked charwomen or other unfortunate menials awkwardly saying or doing the wrong thing in the wrong place.

It may be that, when seen through the misty distance that fills most minds, the sordidness and tragedy of life seem pure comedy. But anobishness is the basis of this class of newspaper humour. One may laugh at charwomen and people below stairs. But to laugh at the strange behaviour of the people one meets at cocktail parties is to show shocking bad manners.

**WHY LAUGH AT CHAPLIN?**  
The theatre offers similar evidence. A cheap West-End drawing-room melodrama will bring the audience to tears. But the crowd will always laugh at Charlie Chaplin, the most poignant and tragic personality of the present-day theatre.

The suppression of laughter is possibly the cause of this modern violence which is breaking out all over the civilised world. Politics is becoming a "racket" everywhere. Parties rely on gangster methods, crime, and assassination, for their maintenance. We have the tragic spectacle of whole nations persuaded or driven into fanaticism and enslavement. We see them marching, with upraised arms and eyes, intent on vague destinies promised by their frowning prophets. We know of the cruelties inflicted by such savage enthusiasm. And we know also that such people have forgotten how to laugh.

Indeed it is not wise to laugh too loudly in such countries, for laughter sounds dangerously like treason.

So if our desire for mirth and merriment is too firmly repressed, it may produce some horrid cancer of our souls. The impulse to laugh is a distorted way of escape if it is not allowed to function freely. Let us then hold fast to our right to laugh, for if that is lost we shall have lost our liberty.

J. M. S.



Claire Trevor, the charming New York actress who is well known, too, in Hollywood, is planning to return to the stage "for good".

and wither in its blast. They cannot stand against it. For laughter is unanswerable.

And laughter is often as reliable as logic. It is an instinctive reaction to all that is theatrical and extravagant. Free, hearty laughter ought to burst from us all, automatically, at a spectacle or proposal which is offensive to the dignity and decency of human life.

### SNOBBISH HUMOUR

The pity is, of course, that people so often choose the wrong things at which to laugh. They are not entirely to blame. They are persuaded into the belief that certain ideas must always be treated with respect, while certain others should always be received with laughter.

There are many who read the Press reports of political speeches with grave seriousness, and melt into uncontrolled merriment at the tragic daily spectacle of the newspaper comic strip. Yet what sensitive mind can contemplate without a shudder these plaintive efforts at synthetic humour? And what man of sense can read or listen to the promises and evasions of the professional politician without the desire to punctuate the rhetoric with peals of hearty



At Lubeck a novelty for divers has recently been demonstrated. It consists of a rubber-sack containing sufficient air to enable a diver to stay 30 minutes below the surface of the water. The problem is to get up in time.

## CHINA EGG EXPORTS

### CRITICS IN BRITAIN

### REFORM URGED

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 1.

There have, I understand, been still further discussions between the principal importers of Chinese eggs and the Board of Trade representatives, who are anxious to fix the quotas for the suggested reduction of 10 per cent. in the import of eggs in shell from abroad during the first three months of next year.

Apparently there has been no real progress made in reaching a decision as to how the quotas were to be allocated. The Chinese Government was not officially represented, because it holds the view that there should be no reduction of the quotas.

I notice that Mr. Greenall, who represented The Overseas Eggs Produce Co., pointed out that China was only an exporter of shell eggs during the period of shortage of home-produced eggs, and Mr. Bunday suggested that it would be a considerable hardship if China were to suffer a greater cut than 10 per cent. Mr. Vestey, who, with Mr. Bunday, represented the Union Cold Storage Co., emphasised the fact that China was more seasonal in production than any of the other foreign countries exporting to England. Mr. Lewis (representing Messrs. Armour & Co.) added that China did not compete with the English producer during the latter's period of peak production and said that Chinese eggs (which were small and very cheap) did not really compete at all with the English product.

### AWAITING DECISION

We are now awaiting the decision of the Board of Trade, though I imagine the Minister of Agriculture has still more to do with it. Meantime, vitriolic attacks continue in Chinese liquid eggs. The same writer who recently published an onslaught in "Eggs" has now published one in "The Feathered World". The



Admiral Gengo Hyakutake, recently appointed to Shanghai, his Chief of Staff, Commander E. Kondo, aboard the flagship Idzumo.

N.F.U. Record has a reference to Chinese liquid eggs in the report of its November Council Meeting as follows:—

"The problem of imports of egg products and particularly those of liquid eggs from China was once again very fully discussed. The resolutions received are quite in accord with the feelings of members, but they had the one drawback that it is quite hopeless in present circumstances to put them forward with any prospect of success. There were several less drastic proposals than total prohibition before the Committee, but in view of the representations made already to official quarters and the obvious bearing the Report of the Re-Organisation Commission will have on this matter, it was agreed that any further definite proposals must await the publication of that Report. The Committee is fully alive to the importance of the effect of these imports, but has to recognise the

### MINISTERS' PROXY

Mr. Shigem Yeshida, Japanese Ambassador-at-large, who arrived in London recently, left soon afterwards for a tour of Continental capitals. He will be back in London for a longer stay in December. Mr. Yeshida was formerly Japanese Ambassador in Rome. His present occupation is described as that of "proxy for the Foreign Minister" for Europe and America.

enormous difficulty of putting forward a case for adequate control with any hope of success until a long-range policy in respect of egg supplies generally is in sight. Meantime enquiries are being made respecting aspects of the trade on which authentic information is desirable."



Chief among the St. Andrew's Day celebrations in Shanghai was the Ewo Handicap Race for the Jardine Challenge Cup, won by G. C. C. Harper on Movement. Above is shown the finish of the race and a section of the unusually large crowd which attended. The trophies were presented by Mrs. James Macbeth, wife of the President of the St. Andrew's Society.



Miss Rita Cohen and Mr. Cyril Wood, with members of their bridal party, photographed outside the British Consulate in Shanghai after their wedding. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Widdowson, brother-in-law and sister of the bride, are included in the group, as also is Mr. F. J. Willis, the best man.

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## LONDON NAVAL TALKS

## ASSESSING RESULTS ACHIEVED

London, Dec. 19.

With the adjournment of the London naval talks imminent, observers are trying to assess the results achieved.

The failure of the discussions to achieve a practical agreement has naturally to be admitted; but outcome is not so disappointing as might have been expected, because a closer understanding now exists between Britain and Japan.

Against this must be balanced the inverse result in the case of Japan and the United States, for it is agreed that the gap between them has greatly widened.

It is understood that the United States delegates now appreciate the just case in Britain's requirement of 70 cruisers, instead of 50 as laid down under the London Treaty.

At the same time, Britain understands and admits the requirement of the United States for large cruisers in sufficient numbers to protect her interests on two oceans, the Atlantic and Pacific.

## Anglo-American Agreement

Meanwhile, Britain and the United States have agreed against the Japanese demand for global equality in tonnage, which they feel will mean Japanese supremacy in Far Eastern waters.

To-day sees the first full meeting of the three delegations, and the task before them will be to decide on the terms of the communiqué to be issued to the public of their respective countries.

What is more important, they will have to agree as to whether the adjournment of the talks will be indefinite or for a stated period. This depends to a large extent on the nature of the replies received by the American and Japanese delegates from their Governments.

It is expected that a formal adjournment will be proclaimed to-morrow. If new proposals are received from either Tokyo or Washington, adjournment may be postponed, but it is not likely that either of the two Governments will make new suggestions.

The precise nature and terms of the Washington Treaty may also affect the length of the adjournment of the discussions.

The outcome of the whole matter is awaited with great interest and some anxiety.—Our Own Correspondent.

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War Loan 3 1/2% redm. after 1962 £107 1/2 £107 1/2

Chinese Bonds 1938 (Eng. Iss.) £103 £103

4 1/2% Loan 1938 £100 £100

5% Loan 1912 £83 1/2 £84

5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.) £98 1/2 £98 1/2

5% Bonds 1925-47 £90 1/2 £91

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## INDIA REFORM

### SALISBURY AMENDMENT REJECTED

London, Dec. 18.  
By a majority of nearly four to one, the House of Lords last night endorsed the Government's policy on the future Constitution of India. The vote was exceptionally large. Lord Salisbury's amendment, advocating a policy of delay, was defeated by 239 votes to 62.

The result came as a pleasant surprise to the government supporters. As last week the Commons passed the Government Motion by 410 votes to 127, the way is now clear for the introduction of the Government's India Bill which will be given a formal first reading this week.

One peculiarity of the votes was that in the Commons, the Labour Party were included in the minority of 127, whereas in the Lords, the Labour Peers abstained from voting.

The Times comments: "So conclusive was the debate that it deserved a conclusive result. It only because of its natural effect on public opinion, both in Britain and in India. A smaller margin would have sufficed, but it might have been misunderstood."

Regarding the Labour Party attitude, The Times remarks there is no reason to suppose they will obstruct the reforms, and recalls speeches by Labour members, including Major Attlee, who signed the Simon Report, and Mr. Cocks, who last week made an eloquent appeal to India to work the scheme.

The Liberals, it is pointed out, were united in supporting the Government, and of the Conservatives in the Commons, 334 voted for the policy of the report and 77 against.

The conclusion of The Times is that "two exhaustive debates, following seven years of hard investigation, have invested the government policy at last with all unimpeachable mandate from the Imperial Parliament."

All papers pay tribute to the lofty tone of the speeches in both Houses as worthy of a great Imperial issue.—British Wireless.

### Wide Experience

London, Dec. 18.  
Speakers during the House of Lords debate included three former Viceroy, three former Secretaries of State for India, five former provincial Governors and several Peers who have intensively studied the question in the process of the Select Committee's inquiries.

It was noticeable that the "diehards" took a studiously reasoned attitude throughout, although Lord Amthill urged that India's real grievances were economic and not political, and that Britain's guiding hand was indispensable.

## CIVIL AVIATION

### CHANGES ANNOUNCED BY AIR MINISTER

London, Dec. 19.  
The Secretary of State for Air (Lord Londonderry) has decided to put into operation certain measures to develop civil aviation. The Director of Civil Aviation will be raised to the rank of Director-General, with equal status to other Ministry members of the Air Council.

The Air Council will in future confine itself exclusively to the military side of the Air Ministry's work, while civil aviation will be under the control of the Secretary of State and the Under-Secretary. The civil aviation estimates will be determined by the Secretary of State personally, on the advice of the Under Secretary, collaborating with the Director General.—Reuter Special.

until India could share in world recovery.

Lord Lloyd, speaking, most earnestly, could not help doubting whether responsible Government was likely to be permanently acceptable to any country in the East. On the other hand, Lord Peel was convinced that the aspiration for self-government was becoming wider in India and was not confined to a mere clique.

Lord Reading made a deep impression with his actual experience of imposing safeguards in times of grave public disaffection.

The general conclusion of the public appears to be: "We must go forward; the Select Committee offers the best way."—Our Own Correspondent.

### Keen Interest

London, Dec. 18.  
The House of Lords debate on the India reform measures has excited extraordinary interest.

Many peers have, during the last few days, taken their oath and their seats in the House for the first time in the life of the present Parliament.

With the exception of three benches normally reserved for the Labour Opposition and which are never filled, every seat was occupied and all available standing room was lined with peers to-day. It was the biggest House of seven years.

The Labourites did not vote and the Conservatives, both the opponents and supporters of Lord Salisbury's amendment, soon passed through the lobby. But it took twenty minutes for the Government supporters to vote.

Lord Salisbury's amendment expressed unwillingness to pronounce in advance acceptance of far-reaching recommendations until there had been an opportunity for studying the particular Government proposals.—Reuter.

## WOMAN HANGED

### POISONED HUSBAND WITH STRYCHNINE

London, Dec. 19.  
A woman was hanged to-day for the first time in England in eight years. She was Mrs. Ethel Lillie Major, aged 42, of Hull, found guilty of poisoning her husband with strychnine.

The last woman to be hanged was Mrs. Louie Calvert, aged 33, who murdered her landlady, in 1926.

Mrs. Major was sentenced to death November 1. Her husband, Arthur Major, a lorry driver, died on May 24. Death, it was stated, was due to large doses of strychnine.

At the trial of Mrs. Major, the prosecution alleged that it was a crime of jealousy, spite and hatred. It was claimed that the Majora frequently and violently quarrelled; that Mrs. Major hated her husband, who was said to be having an affair with a neighbour, Mrs. Rose Kettleborough.

Letters were produced, alleged to be written by Mrs. Kettleborough, addressed, "To my Dearest Sweetheart, Rose," and "To the Dearest Sweetheart, in the world." Mrs. Kettleborough denied writing the letters.

The prosecution, however, claimed that after discovering these letters, Mrs. Major put strychnine in her husband's food.

The defence was that Mrs. Major's guilt was not proved; that there was only suspicion that she had poisoned him, suspicion based on their troubled married life, and his alleged love affair.

The defence laid emphasis on the fact that the second of the two doses of strychnine Major was supposed to have taken, was drunk in a glass of water, but that the amount of strychnine found in his body would have taken two and a half pints of water to disguise its extreme bitterness.

One telling point in the case for the State was that when first questioned by the police, Mrs. Major said: "I didn't know my husband died of strychnine poisoning."

The police pointed out that they had not mentioned how he died, to which she replied: "I am sorry, I must have made a mistake."

When the death sentence was pronounced, Mrs. Major quite calmly, and in a strong voice, said: "I am innocent." She collapsed, however, on her way to the cells.

In bringing in their verdict of guilty, the jury added a strong recommendation to mercy. In consequence of this, and because women are seldom hanged in this country, many believed that the sentence would be commuted to life imprisonment.—United Press.

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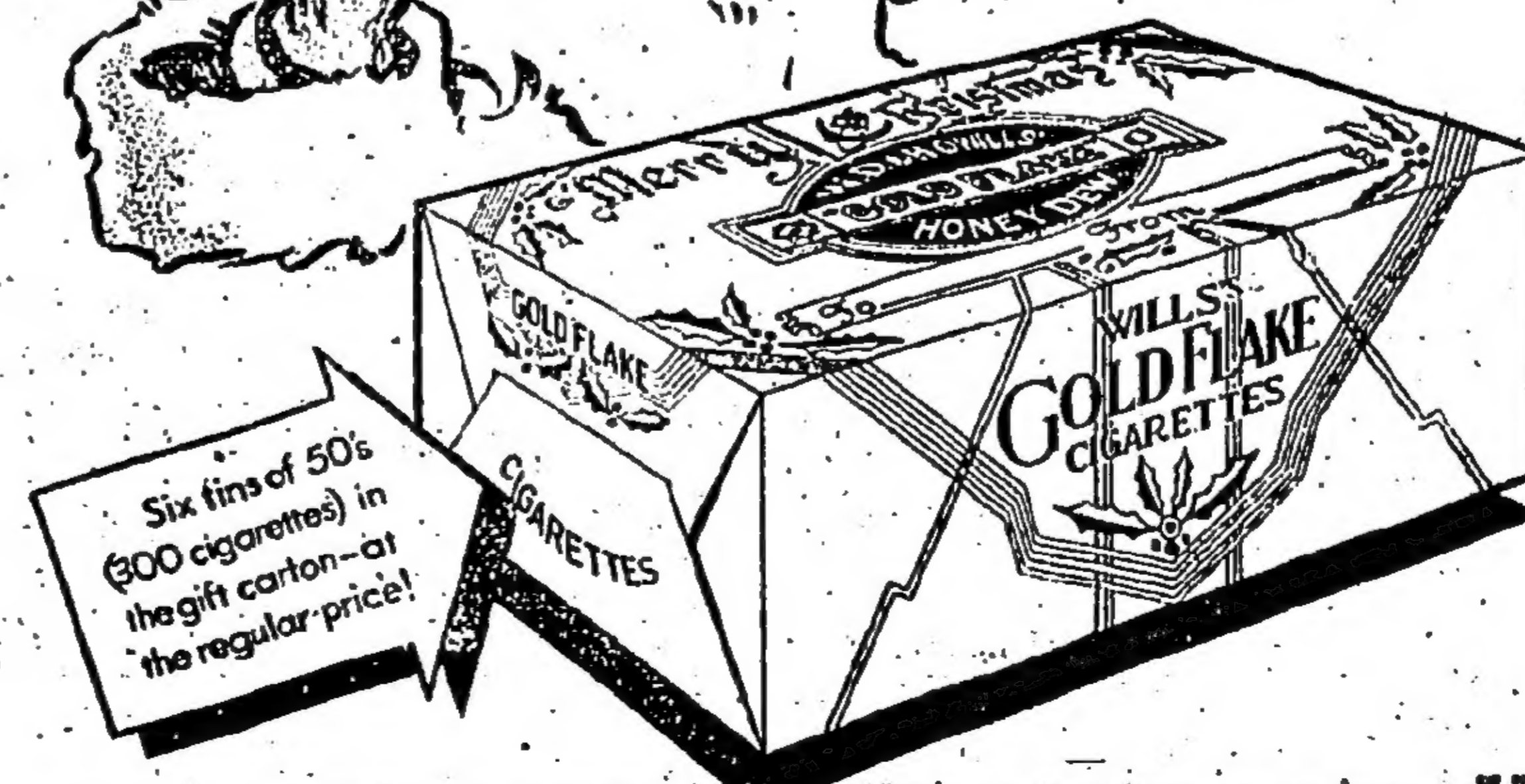
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THURSDAY, DEC. 20, 1934.

## DISFIGURING THE HILLSIDE

The disfigurement of the hillside just below Wanchai Gap by a conglomeration of matchsheds and other structures was the subject of a series of questions at Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board. This is a subject to which we have on several occasions alluded during the past two or three years, in the hope that measures would be taken to clean up the area affected. Instead of any improvement being effected, however, there has lately been a big increase in the number of temporary buildings. In all, there are at present twelve structures within this area, accommodating between eighty and ninety workmen, for whom the sanitary facilities are necessarily somewhat crude; they are situated unpleasantly close to European residences either built or in process of construction. These buildings are said, by the President of the Sanitary Board, to serve a useful purpose, although he would not go so far as to say that they are absolutely necessary. They are used, in the main, in connection with a road-widening scheme and the construction of private residences. For this reason, it is stated, their replacement by more permanent ones would be uneconomical. This argument, however, does not apply to a group of five structures comprising a matchshed, two kitchens, a wood store and a latrine. These, presumably, are Public Works Department buildings, and, unless we are confusing them with another block, have been in existence for some years. At any rate, for longer than we care to remember, this area has been sadly disfigured by buildings of this type, and it is to be hoped that, once the work which has called the greater number of them into being is concluded, some effort will be made to restore the locality to its original appearance. Road gang matchsheds, according to the President of the Sanitary Board, are being gradually replaced by more permanent structures. There has, however, been no sign of such a development in the region referred to. From the fact that a number of sheds have been accommodated at this spot for some years, in no way connected with the nearby road widening project or the erection

## NOTES OF THE DAY

### CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Mother knows best about most things, but not necessarily about the books her children should read. The current issue of *The Parents' Magazine*. Its author, Josephine Frank, makes it a result of long experience in the Child Study Association; and this experience leads her to lay down a very simple common sense rule about books for children. No book, she says, is a good book for a child if it fails to interest him. Conversely, if it does interest him it is very likely a good book—for him; although the child next door might not like it at all. One of our little failings is our easy-going habit of assuming that all children are pretty much alike in their tastes. We do not make that mistake with adults; we are ready enough to admit that one man may like the works of S. S. Van Dine while his neighbour prefers Dickens. But we take it for granted that all children will like the same thing. Furthermore, we jump to the conclusion that they will like the books we ourselves liked as children. We were enthralled, for instance, by the Henty books; therefore the youngster will eat them up, and if he does not, there must be something wrong with him.

### MATTER OF TASTE

Many a father has actually been horrified to discover that such a book as "Kim" bored his son to distraction, while "Ivanhoe"—which the father himself never could endure—is swallowed whole with great avidity. As a matter of fact, the parent's responsibility in regard to the books his children read is a good deal less than we sometimes suppose. About all the father or mother can do is see to it that good books are available to the youngsters. There are many mansions in the realm of literature; provide the children with the key, turn them loose—and let them choose where they choose. Children are great ones to recognise shams and to detect the second-rate. Ordinarily, a child will instinctively prefer a good book to a poor one.

### APPLE ANNIE

One of the least lovely traits we possess is our fondness for making a sentimental fuss over the Collins of people who never got a decent break from us while they were alive, writes Bruce Catton, columnist. That peculiar community symbolised by the word "Broadway" went in for a regular orgy of that sort of thing the other day when an old woman known as "Apple Annie" was laid to rest. Apple Annie was a poor old woman who for years supported herself by peddling apples and chewing gum on Times Square. It was not such a good way of making a living, as you can imagine; the thought of a woman of 70 keeping on the pavement in all kinds of weather to make enough for her support is not a pleasant one. But Apple Annie stuck to it, and she enjoyed a moment of fame, a year ago. Someone wrote a story about her, the story was transformed into a movie—and a press agent came along and used Apple Annie to "ballyhoo" the picture. She was turned into a lady for a day; they put her up at a fine hotel, trotted her around Broadway in a big car, dressed her up in fine clothing, gave her a real meal; and then, after it was all over, let her go back to apple-peddling. As a matter of fact, people completely forgot about her. Like other businesses, the selling of apples suffered a diminishing profit margin. Besides, Apple Annie was pretty well on in years. Presently she vanished, and nobody knew what had happened. Then, a few days ago, Apple Annie turned up—in the morgue. She had died during the night, she and the enfeebled old husband whom her earnings as a peddler had helped keep alive. She lay in the morgue a week before anyone recognised her. But once she was identified, Broadway turned out to give her a fine funeral. Stars from the stage and the night clubs gathered by her coffin. Expensive bouquets and wreaths were sent. Broadway, as they say, showed that it "had a heart." So Apple Annie had two big days; one when a press agent used her to ballyhoo a movie, and one when she was buried. If people had a decent amount of genuine human sympathy, wouldn't they have spread all that fuss out a little bit more, so that the poor old lady could have got a little good out of it?

of new residences, it is to be presumed that they serve a necessary service. If so, they should certainly be replaced by a better type of structure. Now that the matter has been brought to the notice of the authorities, we should like to see the issue followed up further, with a view to obtaining an assurance that the area will soon be rendered less unsightly than it is at present.

## PARENTS MUST FIGHT FOR CHILDREN

By MARGARET LANE

INTEREST in the sensational Vanderbilt case, which, after a hearing lasting seven weeks, has been concluded, now centres on the future of 10-year-old Gloria Vanderbilt, the most moving figure in one of the most remarkable lawsuits of this century. A peculiar future has been prepared by her relations for little Gloria Vanderbilt. She has no idea of it yet—riding her pony over her aunt's Long Island estate, childish unimpressed by the legal solemnities and bitter emotional storms that have been going on around her; but as she grows older she will find the name of Gloria Vanderbilt carrying a heavy load of associations. She will go through life as the central figure of the world's most celebrated case for the custody of a child.

She cannot remember her father. He died a little more than nine years ago, never dreaming he was leaving his little million-dollar daughter to be fought over by his wife, his mother-in-law, and his own sister. If he were alive today Gloria might have had a chance of growing up as ordinary little rich girl—in privacy and the pleasant surroundings of her own unquestioned home. The judge, perhaps out of compassion for the 10-year-old child, whose mother he had heard calumniated in court by her own servants, made the proceedings private. The effect of that compassion was to whet the world's appetite for scandal in high places and set whispering a thousand rumours.

Whether Gloria will come happily out of the battle in the end, or whether her life is spoiled already, not even her mother or her aunt will know for perhaps another twenty years. It is an unhappy fact that children can be the cause and centre of the bitterest legal struggles that ever go through the courts. The child, of course, has no say in the matter, any more than a piece of property valuable enough to quarrel about. He may be valuable because he is rich, or heir to a title, or because both his parents love him. Sometimes he or she may be valuable as a weapon for embittered people to use against each other. In any case, the child gets little out of it but a whispered story that will stay faithful to it for ever. Most famous of all litigations over a child—excepting only this far-reaching Vanderbilt struggle—was the Russell case of twelve years ago, which lasted two years and cost \$40,000. Little Geoffrey Russell, the 9-months-old baby for whose sake his mother, the Hon. Mrs. Christabel Russell, fought her husband's divorce action up to the House of Lords, was brought into court in a bundle of white woollen shawls and examined by judge and jury. By the time the case was over and his mother had won her appeal against the decree nisi he was a handsome little boy running about and already able to talk.

The struggles of estranged parents for possession of their

children are fought out almost daily in the courts, though most of them are between people too humble to attract attention. The passionate determination of both parents to keep the child provokes such bitterness and hostility that the situation often trembles on the edge of tragedy. Early this year a young chauffeur committed suicide when the custody of his baby son was given to his wife, who had obtained a separation order against him. Kidnapping is by no means unheard of; several years ago a divorced father kidnapped his 8-year-old daughter and hid with her until he was run to earth by detectives in Antwerp and the child returned to the custody of her mother. The objection the Home Office put forward to the passing in 1925 of the long-delayed Bill giving a mother equal claims with the father to the possession of her children was that it might in extreme cases be "conducive to murder." It is difficult to believe, now, that only nine years ago a mother was not legally the parent of her child. Before 1925, even a mother with a baby at her breast could not, in law, call the child her own, or dispute its custody or control with the father. The Guardianship of Infants Act, which gave wives equal rights with their husbands, ended an absurd injustice and laid the foundations of countless legal disputes. Armed with the new power women showed themselves far readier than men to go to law for possession of a child.

Any child is unfortunate who finds itself the bone of contention between parents or relations. The child is doubly unhappy whose wealth or position makes that contention a matter of world-wide curiosity, and the sins of whose parents are visited on it in gossip and malice at least for its own generation. The law seen through the eyes of a child growing up by its decisions, must seem a cruel and forbidding institution, dividing families and friends, taking the child sometimes from the parent he loves and delivering him over to the other, or through the unfamiliar doors of some institution.

The whole legal business of fighting for a child is unpleasant and cruel, but actually the law is the only kind thing in a very unkind world of human passions—human love, jealousy, greed, malice, whatever makes two or more people fight passionately for the possession of an unconcerned child. If those passions were free to fight it out without the cool intervention of the law, the potentially rich, titled, or loved child of estranged parents or guardians would have about as much chance of happy survival as a rabbit in a cage of pumas. Gloria Vanderbilt may never lose a feeling of fear at the mention of the law, but eventually she may discover that in the whole unhappy business the intervening judge was her best and most disinterested friend.

## The Very Idea! DUMB-BELLES LETTRES

By Juliet Lowell  
KITCHEN CATTLE  
Auburn, Dec. 12.

Swift & Co. Friend Sir— Wood you be kind enough to send won of them calendar We allways get won of you They are got up soe good (Hogs sheepe coves & Mules & Horses & Chicans) I think they are fine calendar. We have had won every year in our store then I bring to home the top part and hange in my kitchen.

If you have got 2 to spare I would like won.

In my kitchen the Cow & soe-forth Look soe nice I like dumb-beast dearly.

Mr. Monroe A.

(signed)



I bring to home the top part and hange in my kitchen.

Style is everything  
St. Louis, Mo.  
May 4, 1930.

Mr. Walter Huston  
Culver City, California  
Dear Mr. Huston:

To come to the point quick. I want you to lend me \$500. The reason I am writing this letter to you is that I have seen so many of your pictures and you always have faith in human nature and that is why I thought you would lend me the money.

Even if you are not inclined to help me write me a letter. We could keep up a correspondence because I like your style.

Your friend to be

David H. S.

Teacher's Helpmate  
Centerville, Ind.  
Dec. 1, 1931.

Tony Sarg, Marionette Maker  
54 West 9th St.  
New York City  
Dear Tony:

My teacher isn't married but she wood like too be. I know you wood like her. She is most nearly pretty. I hope you have a marry Xmas and your puppets to. I wish you goodby.

Elsie

## Hope They Come Through Clean

Dear Mr. Stanley: I hope the sunshine is making you feel gooder. The kids are fine. I don't know anything about Mr. Stanley's whereabouts, but I think they are in the wash.

Sincerely yours,

Ella G.

(signed)

One Penny I was once travelling—this is a true story—in an express to Aberdeen. I dined in the restaurant car. Seated opposite me was a passenger, obviously well-to-do, in a fur-lined overcoat. This lad was particularly fussy about his dinner—went into committee with the waiter on almost every course; sent several dishes back for amendment; ordered specially-made toast, and so on. He gave more trouble to the staff than the rest of the diners put together.

At the end of the repast, having paid his bill, he presented the waiter with a penny.

I have often thought of this episode, and laughed. I thought of it again, this week, when I read of the Government's grant of \$2 million for the devastated areas. At a moment when (I suppose) there is more wealth in the country, seeking profitable investment, than at any time since the war.

It must be one of the mingiest, most ludicrous gestures that the Government of a prosperous country has ever made.

## Admirals All

(Five retired Admirals are attending classes in carpentry under the auspices of the Portsmouth municipality.)

Admiral Smith, go get your plane—

Admiral Jones, your file—

Admiral Brown, let's hope the town

Will think your work worth while—

Pipo to, my lads; the night is short—

We can't afford to play—

Then home we'll jog for a glass of grogg—

At the end of a well-spent day!

Admirals all, for England's sake

Show us what you can do;

If you bring remon to Portsmouth town

Our town will be proud of you!



"Balise, what did you think of that dress the hostess had on?"

EARLY MORNING  
BLAZECONGESTED DISTRICT  
THREATENED

A fire which occurred at 43 Staunton Street early this morning threatened a congested quarter. The building was one of three storeys, situated at the angle of Elgin Street and Peel Street, being occupied on the ground floor by a barber shop and as living quarters on the other floors.

The alarm was given at 4.07 a.m., five appliances and a tender being rushed to the spot from headquarters. The top floor was well alight, indicating that the fire had broken out on one of the upper floors. After work extending over three-quarters of an hour, the fire was extinguished. Considerable damage was caused to the upper floors.

At the moment, no casualties are reported.

"SISTO" RESCUE  
FEATALL THE CREW NOW  
SAFE

London, Dec. 19. Early this morning, all sixteen members of the crew of the small Norwegian steamer Sisto, to whose help German, British and American vessels had raced through a tremendous Atlantic gale, were taken off their sinking craft by a lifeboat of the American a.s. New York.

This gallant and skilful rescue in huge seas was made possible by the help of vessels who stood by to provide shelter, poured oil on the sea and directed searchlights on the Sisto.—*British Wireless.*

EXPULSION OF  
HUNGARIANSSTATEMENT IN THE  
COMMONS

London, Dec. 19. The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, stated, in reply to a Commons question, that mass expulsions of Hungarian refugees from Yugoslavia ceased more than a week ago, and though a limited number of deportations would seem to have taken place since, for reasons which cannot be stated with certainty, the majority of them were the result of normal application of the Yugoslav aliens regulations.—*British Wireless.*

## MR. TANG CHEK-YU

SOUTH-WEST STALWART  
PASSES AWAY

Canton, Dec. 19. Mr. Tang Chek-yu, one of the founders of the South-West Political Council, and a member of the Supervisory Committee of the Central Kuomintang, died at his residence here this evening at the age of 67.

Canton will go into deep mourning for the loss of one of her great leaders. Flags will be flown at half-mast to-day and all places of amusement will be closed for three days.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po and Central News Agency.*

## IN WIRELESS TOUCH

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day: Alipore, Tungshan, Aden Maru, Saka, Toyoi Maru, Bremerhaven, Hongkong, Tangshan Maru, Cremer, Afrika, Kaituma, Trier, Kutsang, President Coolidge, Yasukuni Maru, Tottori Maru, Rekuyo Maru.

## OFFICERS' EXAMINATION

Nanking, Dec. 20. The Ministry of Communications has extended until June, 1935, the period for ships' officers to be examined regarding their qualifications. The period was due to expire at the end of this month.—*Reuter.*

At this evening's meeting to be held by the Maauk Lodge of the Theosophical Society, in the Lodge Room at 17, Queen's Road, Central, a public lecture will be given by Dr. K. L. Reichelt, of the Tao Fong Shan Christian Institute, Shatin. Dr. Reichelt's subject will be "Christ, the Light of the World." The meeting will commence at 8 p.m. This will be the last public lecture of the present season. Mr. Russell's lecture (booked for December 27) having been postponed to January 3, when it will be given in the Lodge's new premises in the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

A three-year-old European girl, V. Pim, was bitten by a dog belonging to Dr. E. Law, residing at "Rockhill," Sassoon Road, yesterday. The girl was attended to at the Government Civil Hospital, and the dog was sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

## "SINBAD THE SAILOR"

SPIRITED PANTOMIME AT  
Y.M.C.A.

The first night of the pantomime, "Sinbad the Sailor," produced by the European Y.M.C.A. last night, was an entire success, a large audience witnessing one of the most rollicking and spirited shows of this nature that has been seen locally.

The songs were well put over; the effects were good; the girls were beautiful, and the men "went wild." Considerable credit reflects on all who had a hand in tuning up the players to their degree of skill.

Opening with a chorus song, "Haul away Joe," the action is early set at sea. "The Four Tough Old Sails," Bob Selk, William Forsyth, Frank Angus, and Reggie Wood, playing the timid buccaners Cooke, Eustace, Wiggins and Winkle, put the house in roars of laughter with the local colour which had been introduced into the rhymes. Mrs. Foglietti (William Simpson) came on to sing the very catchy song of "Fourteen Rollicking Sailors," with Captain Popeye (James Ferguson) and "she" showed that if she hadn't got it, she had something else which provoked mirth on every appearance she made. Ferguson was impressive in his role and showed a true nautical affection for the other sex.

## Youngsters Please

Sinbad, the chief boy, was played by Audrey Steel and she is shown in a love scene with Polly the girl friend (Noreen Cooper) when they sing "I'll string along with you" and follow up with a dance. What the girls' voices lack in volume, they make up for in sweetness.

The Orphans' chorus brought the house down with their quaintly serious singing and dancing. These pretty little mites gave a most popular turn and after the first novelty had worn off, they threw themselves into their parts with zest. Little Winnie Ingram had, unconsciously probably, the true mystic whimsicality of pantomime.

Another chorus was provided by the fairies, pupils of Mrs. D. McLellan, who gave a dainty performance of a dance which was difficult in timing and poses.

The large chorus of Sailors and Sailors' Wives, Natives, Gypsies, etc., comprised a handsome bevy of some of our best-looking beauties. Octopus—the Old Man of the Sea—gives a weird and clever impersonation of the evil spirit of the pantomime and David Luard, who takes the part, entertained with a particularly good singing voice.

Margery Bishop as the Queen of the sea fairies speaks and sings well, maintaining with Golly Anslow, as the Geni of the Magic Lamp, the high standard of the performance.

Mrs. Wiggins plays a small part very efficiently but a riot of laughter is the monster worked by Bob Bates and Dan Marshall. Selk shows talent as a tumbling clown and figures with Eustace in a fierce competition for the favours of Polly before Sinbad inartistically shatters their illusions with a well directed kick.

## Loch Ness Touch

The adventures of the crew of the ship which sets sail laden with a cup of Y.M.C.A. coffee, a barrel of prawns and a barrel of health salts, is a gay and gallant business. Particularly so is the part played by the handsome Sinbad who rescues the doll-like Polly from the jaws of something which must surely be the nearest approach yet to the Loch Ness monster.

The stage work shows much care and skill and the arrangements are perfect for efficiency and realism. "Sinbad the Sailor" is worth anybody's time and money as the "Y" interpretation is true pantomime, charming entertainment, and a touch of Homeside Christmas.—*G.G.*

## NATIVITY PLAY

"THE GLADDENING LIGHT" AT  
ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

A play entitled "The Gladdening Light," portraying the Nativity of Christ, was presented at St. John's Cathedral yesterday. Like all religious dramas, the play was notable for two qualities—devotion and simplicity. The obvious simplicity of the players and the dignity of the presentation of the theme were exactly the qualities required for such a religious play as "The Gladdening Light."

The play itself was divided into four parts, depicting Darkness, Dawn, Joy in Heaven, and Day. The words, which are entirely those of the Bible, have been taken from the Prophets of the Old Testament and from the Gospel story, and they have been arranged so as to show the darkness of a world without the Spirit of Christ giving way to the Day of His Kingdom.

The attraction of such a play at this time of the year was demonstrated at yesterday's presentation, which was attended by a large audience.

It will be repeated this evening at 6 p.m., and to-morrow at 9.15 p.m.

## DINNER AT Y.M.C.A.

FESTIVE FUNCTION FOR  
SERVICE MEN

The West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. was filled on Monday evening, when 150 Service men from all units in Hongkong were entertained to a dinner and smoking concert under the auspices of the Service Work Committee. A substantial dinner was prepared under the direction of Mrs. B. M. Foster, a home-like touch being given by the serving of the dinner by 34 members of the Y.M.C.A. Women's Section, under Mrs. H. Burton and Mrs. A. R. Brown.

Immediately dinner was over a lively entertainment was given by members of the concert party from H.M.S. Midway, who kept their audience on very good terms with themselves.

Shortly before the programme concluded, the Chairman of the Services Committee, Mr. A. R. Brown, presented thanks on behalf of the guests, to the directors and members of the Y.M.C.A. who had subscribed the funds for the entertainment; to the ladies who had served the dinner, and to the Midway concert party. Mr. Brown also thanked his fellow Committee Members for their untiring efforts, and also the following local business houses, for their gifts of crackers, fruit, cigarettes, chocolate, etc.—Lane, Crawford, British American Tobacco Co. (China), United Kingdom Tobacco Co., Davis, Boag & Co., Neale & Angell, Milk Co., W. G. Coffee Co., Asia Company, Sun Company, Wing On Co.

The Chairman gave a special welcome to those of the guests who were newcomers to the Colony, and extended a cordial invitation to all to avail themselves to the full of the various facilities offered by the Service section.

## SILVER WEDDING

PRESENTATION TO MR. A  
HICKS FROM COLLEAGUES

As a mark of appreciation from his colleagues, Mr. A. Hicks, the Editor of the *Hongkong Telegraph*, was presented with a gift yesterday to commemorate his silver wedding anniversary. The presentation was made on behalf of the subscribers, members of the editorial staffs of the *Telegraph* and *Morning Post*, by Mr. B. Wylie, who mentioned that it was a pleasant thing for Mr. Hicks to look back to—twenty-five years of married bliss in Hongkong. In handing over the gift, a silver cigarette case, he wished Mr. and Mrs. Hicks continued happy years, up to and beyond their golden wedding anniversary.

Mr. Hicks, in expressing thanks, referred to the help and encouragement he had received in his career from his wife.

## MUST PASS TEST

NEW BRITISH TRANSPORT  
REGULATIONS

London, Dec. 19. The Minister of Transport has given the statutory 40 days' notice to enable the new Motor Driving Licence Regulations, including practical tests of new drivers to be brought into force.

The tests will be carried out by official examiners, but the Post Office service, department, and firms employing at least 250 drivers will be allowed to conduct their own tests.—*British Wireless.*

## YACHTING

Commodore Elliott Wins  
"A" Class Race

Yesterday the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club held the fifth of their series of Wednesday races. Commodore Elliott won the race for "A" class yachts, when he piloted Jan over the course of 6.4 miles. Heron, with Captain Ingle at the tiller, captured the race for "B," "C" and "D" class vessels.

The following are the results:			
A Class, Started 14.30			
Carpenter	Finished Cor'd Post	Pts.	Ts.
(Lieut. Cdr. Rymer)		7	1
Ola	DNS	—	—
Wae II	14.45	5	3
(Major Griffin)			
Jan	14.50	3	6
(Mr. Brown)			
Isobel	14.55	6	2
(Mrs. Davis)			
Cadia	15.10	4	4
(Mr. J. Portman)			
Pat	15.15	1	7
(Commodore W. Elliott)			
Painted Lady	15.18	3	5
(Mr. H. V. King)			
"H" and "G" Classes, Started 15.05			
Atlas	15.22	1	9
(Lieut. Douglas)	15.22.50		
Jade	15.25	2	7
(Lieut. R. B. Williams)			
Heron	15.25	1	8
(Capt. Ingle)			
Robina	15.31	3	4
(Mr. T. Morris)			
Widgeon	15.35	1	1
(Mr. R. E. Dixon)	15.32.45		
Gael	15.38	4	5
(Capt. Galsland)			
Eunice	15.40	6	3
(Mr. F. Anderson)			
Lola	15.45	3	6
(Mr. P. O. Parker)			

It is announced that the draw for St. John's Cup Sweepstakes in connection with the Fanning Hunt & Race Club's Steeplechase on Sunday will take place at the Kwant Course at 11.30 a.m. on Sunday.

## SUMMONS FAILS

DEPARTMENT'S USE OF  
DISCRETIONARY POWER

A plea of innocent intentions was successfully raised by Mr. H. I. Denny on behalf of the Sino-American Optical Co. yesterday, in one of two summonses in respect of the alleged infringement of trade descriptions belonging to the American Pencil Co. of New York. Mr. Denny, who had strongly criticised the Imports and Exports Department for, he said, bringing the prosecution without a written complaint, and also for summarily proceeding to the seizure of the goods asked for costs allowable under the Ordinance, against the Department.

The Sino-American Optical Co., who are also dealers in pens and pencils, of 238 Queen's Road Central, were proceeded against on two summonses, the first for putting pencils to frames that did not appropriately belong to those pencils, and therefore using a false trade description; and the second for having in their possession and exposing for sale pens and pencils to which a false trade description was applied. The case was heard by Mr. Schofield in the Central Magistracy.

Mr. Denny mentioned the Regulations mentioned by the Governor in Council under the Merchandise Marks Ordinance, which required that a written statement of complaint from the aggrieved party must first be furnished the Attorney General or the Superintendent of Imports and Exports before a prosecution could be undertaken. The Assistant Superintendent, in the present case, counsel contended, was stretching his delegated powers in proceeding without that written complaint.

## Discretionary Power

Mr. Kennedy-Skipton: We are using our discretion in bringing this prosecution without putting in any evidence as to the statements given us.

Mr. Kennedy-Skipton pointed out that his discretionary power was in the words "may require," in the Section (No. 2) referring to the written statement.

His Worship: I am not sure that under the Regulations the Magistrate is liable to consider this point. It appears from the Regulations that it is entirely a matter for the Attorney General and the Superintendent of Imports and Exports. But I think, in consideration of the penalty, that a prosecution should make it clear that the public interests are endangered by the offence alleged.

Mr. Kennedy-Skipton: This is directly inimicable to the interests of the trade on which the prosperity of the Colony is based. As your Worship is well aware, goods that are sold here and also those which enter into the transit trade into China are dealt with chiefly by foreign agents of the makers or through other entrepreneurs in other countries. And I think it is most important that the prosecution should make it clear that these agents should be duly protected. Messrs. Keller, Kern & Co. are the Agents for these pencils and their trade is liable to be ruined if firms are allowed to use those false trade descriptions.

## Special Reasons

His Worship: That protection is duly covered by the existing Merchandise Marks Ordinance. The agents could take their remedy from that Ordinance.

Mr. Kennedy-Skipton replied that recent events had made it desirable to fortify the powers of the Governor, and it was for that reason that the recent Regulations, which Mr. Denny had referred to, were made.

His Worship queried what special circumstances were present to make the present an exceptional case.

Mr. Kennedy-Skipton: I put it that this sort of thing is liable to be widely done in the Colony, and it is so done.

Continuing, the Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports said that they had to act quickly in that matter, although he agreed that it was true some of the local agents, by reason of their representing a multiplicity of foreign interests, may not have the full powers of all the principals. The Department had to strike whilst the iron was hot.

Mr. Denny, disagreeing, contended that it was for the agents and not for the Imports and Exports Department without the warranty of a written statement from the agents, to have proceeded in the matter. He criticised the action of the Department in assuming to itself the power of seizing the goods which the Sino-American Optical Co. had bought in good faith from the agents of the American Pencil Co. and from Germany.

## Defendants' Evidence

Evidence in support of Mr. Denny's contentions was given by the Manager of the Sino-American Co. The witness produced invoices covering purchases of pencils, one of these, in June last, being from Messrs. Keller, Kern & Co., the local agents for the American Pencil Co., of New York.

Speaking of the four cards alleged to have been misused, witness said other and more expensive pencils than the products of the American Pencil Co. were hung to frames of the latter for convenience and also to make an impressive show. These other expensive pencils were also on the cards that were the subject of the summons.

In giving his decision on the first summons, his Worship accepted the explanation. The evidence had shown that more expensive pencils had been put to the cards for convenience and with no intention of making more or less profit, and therefore had shown that defendants' intentions were innocent.

His Worship discharged defendants on this summons, and adjourned the question of costs raised by the defence until the trial of the other summons, which will be heard this afternoon.

RADIO  
BROADCASTChildren's Concert From  
The Studio

## Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):

5-6 p.m. A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Grill Room.

6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

6.30-7 p.m. A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Grill Room.

7 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations.

7.05-7.25 p.m. A Pianoforte Recital by Wilhelm Backhaus.

1. (a) Prelude and Study in C Major.

(b) Chromatic Study in A Minor ..... (Chopin).

2. (a) Revolutionary Study, Op. 10, No. 12.

(b) Study in F Major ..... (Chopin).

3. (a) Waltz in D Flat, Op. 64, No. 1.

(b) Etude in C Major, Op. 10, No. 7. ..... (Chopin).

4. Waldenrauschen (Liszt).

7.25-8 p.m. Variety.

Organ Solos—It was so Beautiful. Organ Solos—The Clouds will soon roll by.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.35 p.m. Close Down.

All Relays of the Hongkong Hotel Orchestra are by courtesy of the Management.

## Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

8.30-10 p.m. European Recorded Music from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 k.c.s.

8.30-8.47 p.m. Peer Gynt Suite—No. 2 (Grieg, Op. 65).

New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra.

8.47-9 p.m. From Foreign Lands (Moscowwsky).

Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

9-9.30 p.m. Concert Items.

Cello Solo—Mazurka, Op. 11, No. 3 (Popper).

Pablo Casals.

Songs—The Pipes of Pan (Monckton).

Songs—Arcady is ever young (Monckton).

Winnie Melville (Soprano).

Pianoforte Solos—Prelude in A Minor (Debussy).

Pianoforte Solos—Alt-Wien (Old Vienna) (Godowsky).

Isabelle Yalkovsky.

Songs—Serenade (Ravini).

Songs—Come Back to Sorrento (De Curtis).

Charles Kullman (Tenor).

Violin Solos—Marguerite (Rachmaninoff, arr. Kreisler).

Violin Solos—Serenade (Lehar).

Fritz Kreisler.

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

9.35-10 p.m. Debroy Somers Band.

It's a Lovely War—Medley (arr. Debroy Somers).

Ballads we Love—Selection (arr. Debroy Somers).

What's Yours?—A Convivial Medley (arr. Debroy Somers).

10 p.m. Close Down.

## ZEESON PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcasts From  
The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeeson as follows.

SOUTH ASIA ZONE.

South Asia Zone, broadcast from DJB (12.75 metres) and DJN (11.45 metres).

4.45 p.m. DJB-DJN Announcement (German).

5 p.m. DJB-DJN Announcement (German).

5.15 p.m. Music and Typical Events.

5.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

6 p.m. Variety Programme. At the Christmas Market. Uncle Gustave and Aunt Amalie go shopping. Toss of All Sorts. Performance. The Brothers. Wallerstein Orchestra.

6.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

6.45 p.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German).

7 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

7.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

7.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

7.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

8 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

8.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

8.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

8.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

9 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

9.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

9.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

9.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

10 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

10.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

10.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

10.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

11 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

11.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

11.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

12 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

12.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

12.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

12.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

1 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

1.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

1.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

1.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

2 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

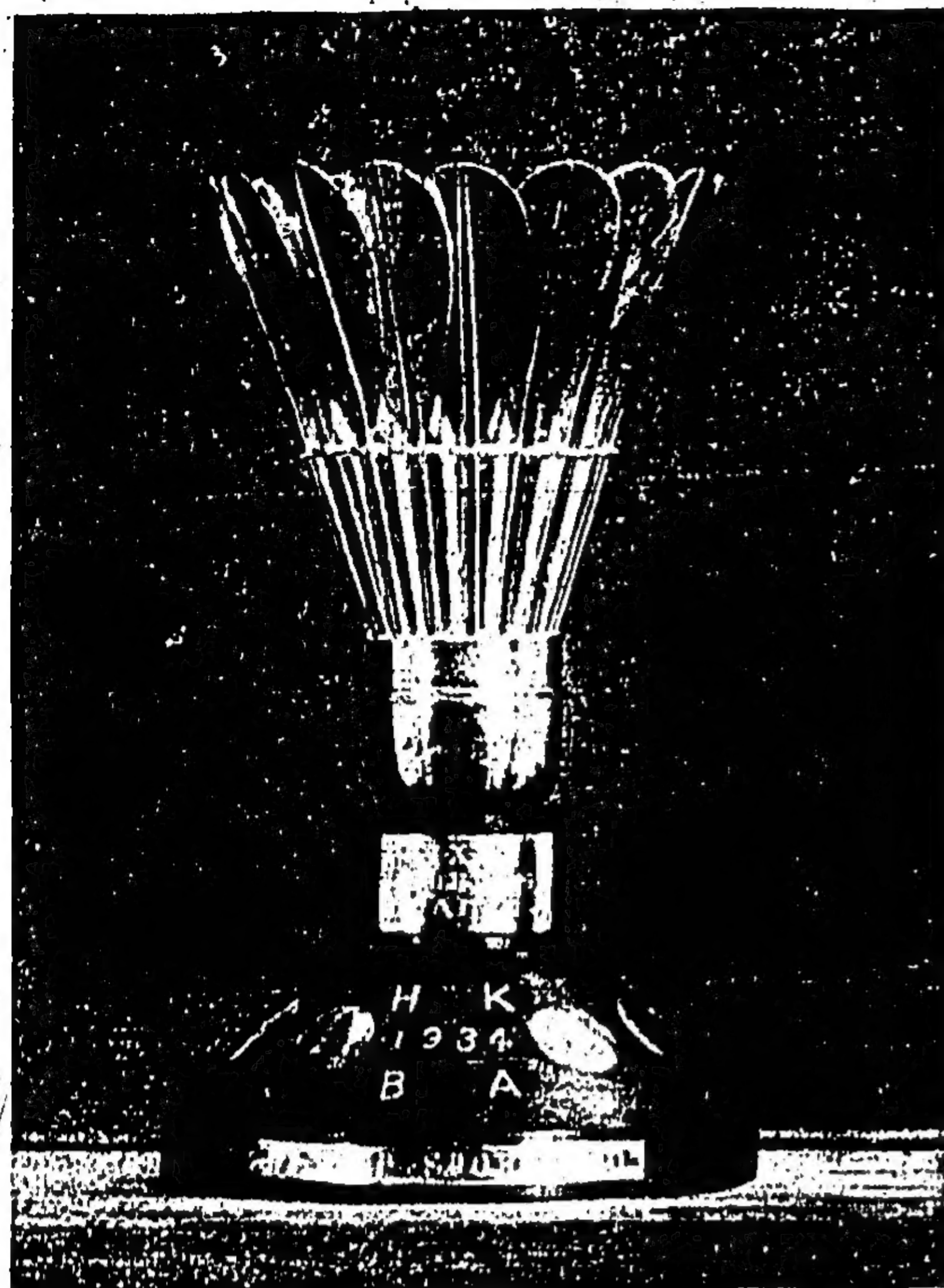
2.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

2.30 p.m. News in English on DJA and DJN.

2.45 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

# AMERICA'S DAVIS CUP CHANCES FOR 1935 DIMMED

## BADMINTON TROPHY



Above is a photograph of the handsome trophy presented by Dunlop Sports Co. for competition between Mixed Doubles teams in the Hongkong Badminton League.

## THE YEAR'S GOLF

### TRIUMPH OF YOUTH

Youth triumphant! That is the verdict of 1934—a golfing year which has seen the return of the Open Championship Cup to Great Britain and the arrival of many new promising players. The old order has changed. Newcomers have challenged the supremacy of players with established reputations, and many championship scrolls contain fresh names.

For British golf the year has been one both of delight and despair. Great Britain again failed to win the Walker Cup, and the women players went on a fruitless quest to America to be beaten in the first match for the Curtis Cup. Yet Henry Cotton's remarkable victory in the British Open Championship at Sandwich—the first home triumph for eleven years—came as a tonic to British golf, and enabling a look on the future with confidence.

Cotton equalled the championship aggregate of 283, and created

records in some of his rounds. That was the "high-spot" of British golf of the year.

### SOME SUCCESSES

W. Lawson Little recaptured the Amateur Championship for America, and in doing so defeated J. Wallace, a Troon artisan, in the final by the record margin of 14 up, and 12 to play. Little returned to the States to win his national amateur title, and he also assisted his country to retain the Walker Cup, which has been in their custody since the inception of the international contest with Britain. Jack McLean won the Scottish amateur title for the third successive year, and Mrs. Holm, a class player for many years, won the British women's title for Scotland after a lapse of 23 years.

"Discoveries" of the year were: J. C. Brown, the Irish native champion; Hector Thomson, the Irish Open champion; Miss Phyllis Wade, the new English champion; and Miss Nancy Jupp, a 13-year-old Scot, who seasonally won the British Girls' Championship.

Sid Brews, the South African champion, finished second to Cotton in the Open Championship, and won the French and Dutch Open titles before returning to the Cape.

The Macao hockey players will be leaving Hongkong on board the s.s. Tilawa on December 24 for Singapore, where they will engage local teams in a series of hockey matches, including an Interport game. They return on January 6.



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## ALLISON AND SIDNEY POSSIBLE SINGLES PLAYERS

### Yesterday's Rugger Game

#### NAVY XV FAIL TO IMPRESS

(By "Linesman")

The Navy will have to show up much better than they did yesterday if they are going to give the Club a good game on Saturday in their Triangular Tournament fixture. Against the Club "A" XV yesterday they were decidedly weak despite the fact that they scored 21 points without reply.

There wasn't a good three-quarter movement during the whole of the exchanges and the handling was also of a very poor order on both sides.

Crews, who was included in the Navy side as a try-out was conspicuous on several occasions with the Navy "three" and it was through a brilliant cross-kick from near the corner flag that Dilsdall was able to touch down their second try. With the inclusion of Crews, Marsh, who usually plays as an inside three-quarter, moved into the full-back position.

Benson was the pick of the defence, showing a useful turn of speed and being responsible for grounding three of the tries.

The Club only had five of their first team in, namely Lammerit at full-back, Robertson, three-quarter, and Peers, Munroe and Cumming, forwards. With the exception of these there was no-one who figured prominently. Throughout the game the Club forwards were packing much too high.

The first try came soon after the start when the Club were two men short, Benson going over following a movement which started near the "25" line. Roome added the extras. Before the interval Dilsdall put the Navy further ahead when he grounded a nicely placed cross-kick from Crews which landed just behind the posts. Roome again converted.

The Navy opened strongly in the second half and Benson scored his second try when he intercepted a pass and reached the line just as he was brought down by Peers. Whitfield missed with the kick.

Hammitt scored the next when he punted over Lammerit's head and raced round him to touch down for an unconverted try. Benson obtained his third try soon afterwards when he gathered near to the "25" line and scored close to the posts. Roome majorised.

The Navy continued to have the better of the game territorially, keeping up constant pressure on the Club's defence, but they were robbed of a certain try when Cheyne, with only Lammerit to beat and but a few yards from the line sent out a bad forward pass.

Just on time Benson punted ahead over the line for Webster to score the last try before Lammerit could reach the ball. Roome converted.

### THE TEAMS

The teams were:—  
Club:—G. P. Lammerit; M. W. Scott; C. A. Archer; L. G. Robertson and P. J. Gardner; R. H. Griffiths and D. A. Campbell; H. O. Bramble; W. E. Peers; B. D. G. Barlow; W. G. C. Knowles; G. B. Jones; K. A. Munro; F. J. McGugan and D. A. Cumming.

Navy:—Sto. Marsh (Suffolk); Pny. Sub. Lieut. Biggie (Kent); Surg. Lieut. Benson (Medway); Lieut. Cheyne (Medway) and Sub. Lieut. Crews (Medway); Lt. Webster (Cornwall) and Lt. Forbes (Medway); Comdr. Roome (Medway); E. R. A. Galletley (Cornwall); Pay. Lt. Sowman (Kent); E. R. A. Dilsdall (Cornwall); Lt. Colard (Adventure); Lt. Kelburne (Falmouth); Lt. Comdr. Whitfield (Falmouth) and E. A. Hammitt (Phoenix).

### R.A.M.C. WIN

A keen and interesting rugby game was witnessed at Sookmoo yesterday afternoon, when the newly formed Royal Army Medical Corps team met a team from H. Q. wing of the Royal Welch Fusiliers. The medicals won by 14 points to nil.

Capt. Anderson opened the scoring with an unconverted try after 10 minutes' play. Shortly afterwards, L/Cpl. Leigh scored after a good run. This try was also unconverted.

In the second half the Fusiliers had most of the game, but following a good movement started in the medicals' half, Snooks, who played an outstanding game throughout, scored between the posts, which L/Cpl. Leigh converted. Just before the final whistle, Smart scored the fourth try which Stidston just failed to convert.

### LOTT'S 1935 TOUR

New York, Dec. 19.

George Lott turned professional; Frank Shields entered the movies; Lester Stoecken is expected to join the professionals any day now. All of which dims American Davis Cup hopes for 1935.

George Lott, the world's foremost doubles player and member of every Davis Cup team since 1928 with the exception of 1932, signed to make a professional tour in 1935, opening at Madison Square Garden on January 9. Terms were not revealed, but it is understood he declined a \$10,000 straight offer in favour of 12½ per cent. of the gross receipts.

In making this announcement, O'Brien admitted he and Tilden had been negotiating with Stoecken of Los Angeles, the country's third ranking player and Lott's doubles partner. They had hopes that the California Giant would sign shortly.

Lott and Stoecken scored the only point for the United States against England in the 1934 Davis Cup Challenge round. Later they successfully defended their United States national doubles title. In addition they hold the indoor title.

Lott was ranked among the first ten American singles players virtually every year for the past decade.

Frank Shields of New York, the country's No. 1 player, entered the movies this month, but his



Lott and Stoecken.

contract permits him to continue playing tennis. Since he will not make tennis pictures, he still is regarded as an amateur. But experts fear that his movie work will not give him time for competitive play. Tournament competition takes much time and requires extensive travelling.

Should Stoecken follow Lott's example, and if Shields does not compete, Wilmer Allison and Sidney probably will be the Davis Cup singles players next year according to Mercer Beasley, "unofficial coach" of the American Davis Cup Forces. Allison and John Van Ryn, or Gene Mako and Donald Budge, brilliant young California combination may make up the doubles combination.

Beasley said he hadn't decided if he would sanction a Davis Cup tryout by Parker, his star pupil, whom he ranks third on his predicted national rating behind Allison and Wood in that order. He indicated that he wanted Frankie to have one more year of seasoning before making a determined foray into international company.—United Press.

## AMERICAN FOOTBALL

### LOUISIANA CLUB COACH RESIGNS

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 19. The Louisiana State Club's president has accepted the resignation of "Blitz" Jones from his post of football coach.

Jones sent in his resignation as the result of his refusal to permit Senator Huey ("King Fish") Long to meddle with the Louisiana football team.—United Press.

## BADMINTON LEAGUE

### LAST NIGHT'S MEN'S DOUBLES MATCHES

The K.C.C. dropped two points in the Men's Doubles "A" Division of the Hongkong Badminton League last night when they were defeated by seven games to two by St. Andrew's on their own Courts.

N.A.E. Mackay and F. V. Wong were the weakest Saints' pair and it was against them that the K.C.C. won their two games, C. Wigg and S. P. Simcocks and E. Zimmern and E.G. Warren being the victors.

### Scores

The full scores are appended: C. Wigg and S.P. Simcocks (K.C.C.) lost to E.F. Fincher and H. Kew, 8-21; lost to Chung and F.A. Broadbridge, 4-21; beat N.A.E. Mackay and F.V. Wong, 21-12. E. Zimmern and E.G. Warren (K.C.C.) lost to Fincher and Kew, 5-21; lost to Chung and Broadbridge, 7-21; beat Mackay and Wong, 8-21.

### "B" DIVISION

In the "B" Division the V.R.C. were beaten by five games to four by Tai Koo the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home registering a similar score against the Fire Brigade.

S. and S. Home v. Fire Brigade

Clark and Bussey (S. and S. Home) lost to Shute and Fisher, 8-21; beat Greenwood and Fitzhenry, 21-8; beat Skinner and Woolard, 21-10. Smith and Yang Chen (S. and S. Home) lost to Shute and Fisher, 1-21; beat Greenwood and Fitzhenry, 21-16; beat Skinner and Woolard, 21-11. Bone and Wingfield (S. and S. Home) lost to Shute and Fisher, 1-21; lost to Greenwood and Fitzhenry, 14-21; beat Skinner and Woolard, 21-11.

### V.R.C. v. Tai Koo

S. A. Rumjahn and J. A. Soares (V.R.C.) beat A. N. Stevens and C. Summers, 21-17; beat T. F. Stainton and A. W. Norrie, 21-6; lost to G. A. Smith and R. C. Thorn, 11-21.

C. M. Xavier and A. O. Barros (V.R.C.) lost to Stevens and Summers, 12-21; beat Stainton and Norrie, 21-17; lost to Smith and Thorn, 7-21. C. N. Silva and A. O. Barretto (V.R.C.) lost to Stevens and Summers, 10-21; beat Stainton and Norrie, 21-6; lost to Smith and Thorn, 11-21.

## Y.M.C.A. Win Cue Match

### Beat Lincolns At Snooker And Billiards

The Y.M.C.A. defeated the Lincolns' Regiment by 906 points to 835 in a friendly billiards and snooker match on the Y.M.C.A. tables last night, winning four of the six games played.

The scores were as under:

### BILLIARDS

Y.M.C.A. Lincolns  
E. Ponsonby, 200; Sergt. T. James, 189.  
J. Young, 200; Pte. J. Atkinson, 194.  
W. Stoker, 178; L/Cpl. H. Turner, 200.

### SNOOKER

J. F. Hickman, 140; L/Cpl. J. Green, 66.  
F. Fowler, 65; Bnma A. Short, 132.  
J. R. Luke, 120; Lieut. G. H. King, 56.  
Total 906 Total 835

## HOME RUGBY

### OXFORD LOSE AGAIN IN IRELAND

London, Dec. 19. Oxford University rugby XV met with another defeat at the hands of an Irish team to-day when they went under to the Dublin Wanderers to the tune of 11 points to 7. On Monday the touring side lost to Trinity College, Dublin by 3 points to nil.

Playing at Portsmouth, Hampshire defeated Sussex by scoring six points without reply.—Reuter.

## PONY TRAINING TIMES

### FIRST GALLOPS OF NEW SUB., DERBY AND AUSTRALIAN GRIFFINS

#### POINTERS FOR 1935 SEASON

Of particular interest to followers of racing is the publication of the first list of training times of the new subscription griffins, Derby griffins and Australian griffins for the 1935 racing season, which were clocked yesterday morning at Happy Valley. Although it is much too early to discuss the chances of the many new candidates, readers should find useful pointers in the bi-weekly issues of these lists of training times in the Telegraph, between now and the annual meeting.

The majority of trainers were content to give their new sub some slow work to begin with. Impressive runners among this class were Deemster, Wadebridge, Lion Hunter, Winkfield, Chow Min and Invincible Knight. Wadebridge was particularly good with his mile effort.

Mrs. Pearce's Trowbridge is considered one of the best griffins now in training. The pony did a slow six furlong gallop but finished strongly in 30 seconds. Another griffin, Iron Cres, covered the mile in fair time and finished well.

New Australian griffins which merit watching are Racing Lady, Fairy, Julius Caesar and Iron Duke.

The letter S stands for subs, G for griffins and A for Australian ponies. Details of times clocked yesterday appear below:

	Distance	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	5th.	Last
		Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.
Trent	S 1 1/4	37	1.12	1.47.3	2.25	3.05	35.3
Clyde	S 1 1/4	37	1.12	1.47.3	2.25	3.05	35.3
Invermark	S 1 1/4	37	1.12	1.47.3	2.25	3.05	35.3
Sakajawala	G 1 1/4	41.2	1.20.4	2.00.3	2.84.2		33.4
Iron Cres	G 1 1/4	37	1.17	1.45	2.16.1		31.1
No Can	S 1 1/4	46	1.25	2.02	2.39	3.13	34
Mattine Idol	S 1 1/4	46	1.25	2.02	2.39	3.13	34
Cayuse	A 1 1/4	39	1.17	1.52	2.23		31
Trowbridge	G 1 1/4	41.1	1.23	1.53			30
Garry	G 1 1/4	36.2	1.13	1.47	2.20.3		33.3
Ythay	G 1 1/4	36.2	1.13	1.47	2.20.3		33.3
Mersey	G 1 1/4	36.2	1.13	1.47	2.20.3		33.3
Tammam Hall	G 1 1/4	41.1	1.14	1.48			34
Estray	S 1 1/4	38.3	1.15.2	1.47			31.3
The Chetah	S 1 1/4	46	1.19	1.50			31
Racing Lassie	A 1 1/4	35	1.08.1	1.40			31.4
Silver Fox	S 1 1/4	40	1.27.2	2.09	2.47.3		33.3
The Snipe	S 1 1/4	46	1.27.2	2.09	2.47.3		33.3
Lindsey	S 1 1/4	48.2	1.28.2	2.06	2.45		30.3
Glittering Glory	S 1 1/4	43	1.23.1	2.03.2	2.39.1	3.15	
Leading Bee	S 1 1/4	43	1.23.1	2.03.2	2.39.1	3.15	
Bold Colonel	G 1 1/4	37.3	1.13	1.49	2.19		33
Mistake Bay	G 1 1/4	37	1.21	2.01.3	2.40	3.12	32
Pontine Bay	G 1 1/4	37	1.21	2.01.3	2.40	3.12	32
What About That	S 1 1/4	42	1.20	1.50	2.33.1		34.1
Strathaird	S 1 1/4	—	1.32	2.09	2.46	3.19.3	33.3
Strathairn	S 1 1/4	—	1.32	2.09	2.46	3.19.3	33.3
Golden Miller	S 1 1/4	—	1.32	2.09	2.46	3.19.3	33.3
Touch Stone	S 1 1/4	41.3	1.18	1.42.4	2.25.1		32.2
Racing Lady	A 1 1/4	38	1.13	1.46	2.18	2.48	30
Pacific Hall	G 1 1/4	41.3	1.20.3	1.59.2	2.31		31.3
Felbridge	S 1 1/4	49	1.39	2.22	3.02	3.33.2	31.2
Fairy	A 1 1/4	37.3	1.10.1	1.40.2	2.09.3		29.1
Bold Captain	S 1 1/4	30	1.12	1.46	3.21		35
Bold Soldier	S 1 1/4	30	1.12	1.46	3.21		35
Jack Tar	G 1 1/4	49	1.39	2.17	2.49		32
Blacksmith	S 1 1/4	44	1.30	2.14	2.55.1		41
Mildred Hall	G 1 1/4	44	1.30	2.14	2.55.1		41
Lockley Hall	S 1 1/4	44	1.30	2.14	2.55.1		41
17th of September	S 1 1/4	42	1.03	1.39			36
Gold Plover	S 1 1/4	32	1.03	1.39			36
Julius Caesar	A 1 1/4	31.3	1.03	1.34			31
Deemster	S 1 1/4	45	1.23.3	2.10	2.44		34
E 24	S 1 1/4	45	1.23.3	2.10	2.44		34
Victoria Hall	G 1 1/4	44	1.25	2.02.4	2.42	3.16	34
Windsor Hall	G 1 1/4	44	1.25	2.02.4	2.42	3.16	34
Snare River	A 1 1/4	51	1.35	2.15	2.55	3.17	27
Lady Whittie	A 1 1/4	51	1.35	2.15	2.55	3.17	27
Wadebridge	S 1 1/4	41.1	1.20	1.54	2.26.2		32.2
High Principle	S 1 1/4	35	1.08.3	1.43.2			35
High Standard	S 1 1/4	35	1.08.2	1.43.2			35
Gold Dust	S 1 1/4	35	1.08.2	1.43.2			35
Twenty Grand	G 1 1/4	47	1.34.4	2.16	2.52	3.24	32
Bonny Dundee	G 1 1/4	44.1	1.29.4	2.04	2.36		32
Lion Hunter	S 1 1/4	36.2	1.09.3				32
Winkfield	S 1 1/4	36.2	1.09.3				32
Iron Duke	S 1 1/4	35	1.07	1.39			32
Invincible Knight	S 1 1/4	37	1.11.2	1.45			33.3
Light Brigade	S 1 1/4	37	1.11.2	1.45			33.3
Chow Min	S 1 1/4	35	1.10	1.45			35

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### HONGKONG'S NEW TRICK PLAYS

(By "Gridiron")

American Football will be one of the feature sports attractions for the week-end. On Sunday afternoon, at 3.30 p.m. on Hongkong Football Club Ground a grand American collegiate game, between Coach Fred Chang Dr. J. M. Henry's strong Lingnan University team from Canton and the local eleven coached by Harry Chang, husky tackle from Hawaii. This will be the second game to be played in Hongkong in the last eight years.

These two teams met in a whale of a game, which was packed full of action and thrills, on Thanksgiving Day in Canton, and delighted thousands of fans in the Chinese city. In this tussle, the Canton pigskin carriers took the measure from their Hongkong rivals, scoring two touchdowns to nil.

Since this game, both teams have been working daily with stiff scrimmages for their return meeting in Hongkong, and the game on Sunday should provide as much or even more thrills for those who venture out to Happy Valley Sunday afternoon.

### HONGKONG STRENGTHENED.

Hongkong has developed two more additional trick plays in addition to those they pulled against Lingnan up in the Chinese city three weeks ago. During their preparation for this return game, they have strengthened their forward wall, and have developed a running attack that will cause Lingnan considerable worry when mixed in with forward passes. They spent the whole of last week perfecting their forward passes and many open plays will be seen in Sunday's match.

From the Chinese city, Coach Chang has been driving his maroon and gray chariot every day, concentrating on their line attack, and long passes. Their plays are being worked around William Meeker, tough fullback, triple threat man from Whittier University, and Lawrence Lew, 160-lb half back from University of Washington.

It was William Meeker's display in defence that checked the Hongkong team from scoring on Thanksgiving Day, and Hongkong has realized the fact that Meeker must be stopped on Sunday.

It was learned that Joe Kau, Lingnan's halfback, who was injured in the last game, will not

The probable lineup for Sunday's match are as follows:—

Hongkong	Positions	Lingnan
M. Chang	LER	Woodrow Moe
H. Chang	LTR	Robert Scrim
Choy Siu	LGR	Daniel Lew
J. Long	C	Gabriel Lau
S. Ching	RGL	Bill Leong
George Lee	RFL	Jerome Holmes
Ed Lee	REL	Harold Dang
Ed Chang	Q	Kit Chung
Walter Ching	RHL	D. Lal
Wallace Ching	LHL	Lawrence Lew
Charlie Kwack	F	Wm. Meeker

### LADIES GOLF

Mrs. Herdman and Mrs. Wren Win Medals

The best scores returned in the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Ladies' Section L. G. U. Medal Competition played over the New Course, Fanling, on Tuesday were:

Silver Division, Mrs. Wren 85-14 = 71; Bronze Division, Mrs. Herdman 98-29 = 69.

Mrs. Herdman was the winner of the prize given by the Ladies' Section for the best nett score.

### SHANGHAI RUGBY

Meiji Varsity Troupe U.S. Marines

Shanghai, Dec. 19. Out-classing their opponents in every department, the Meiji University team, Japanese University champions, opened their muggy tour at Shanghai by defeating the United States Marines by 42 to 6.—Router.

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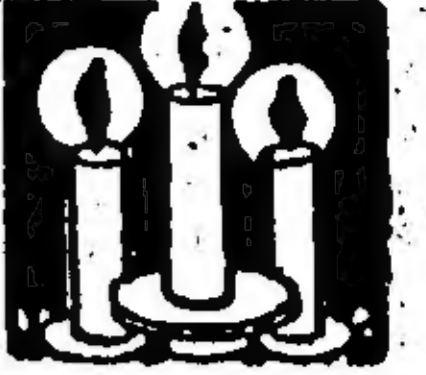
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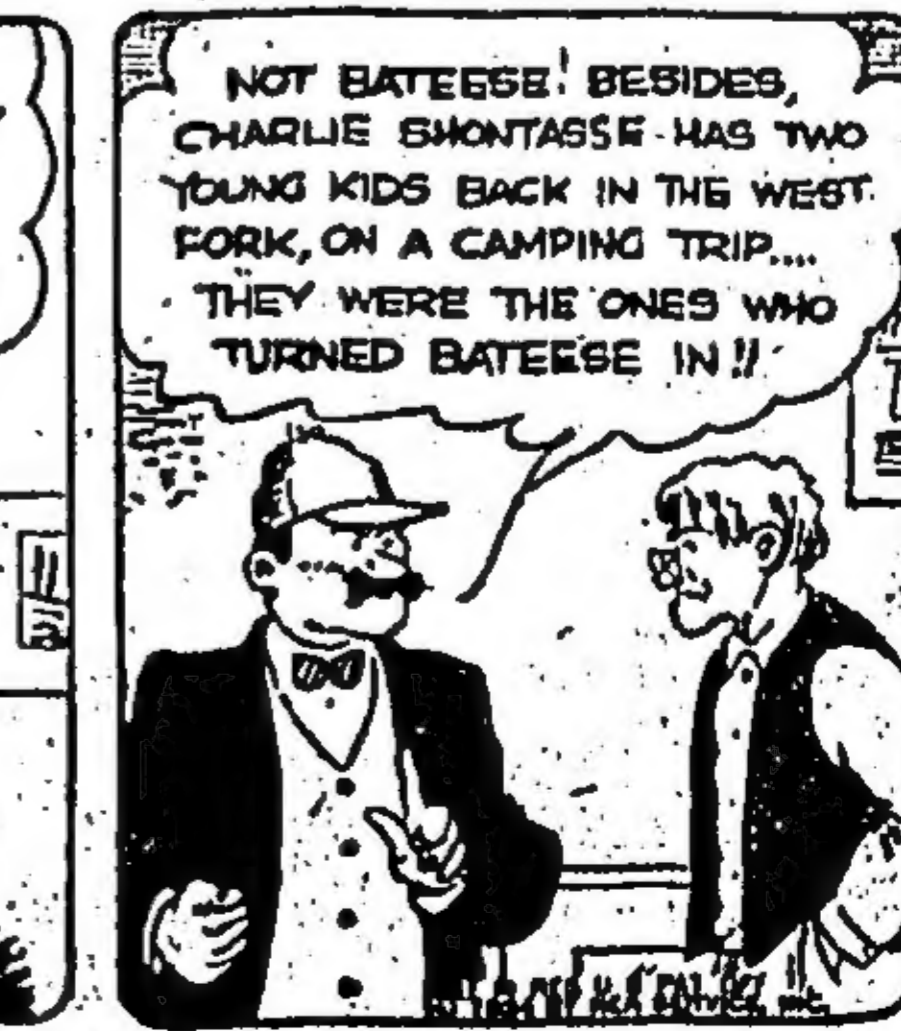
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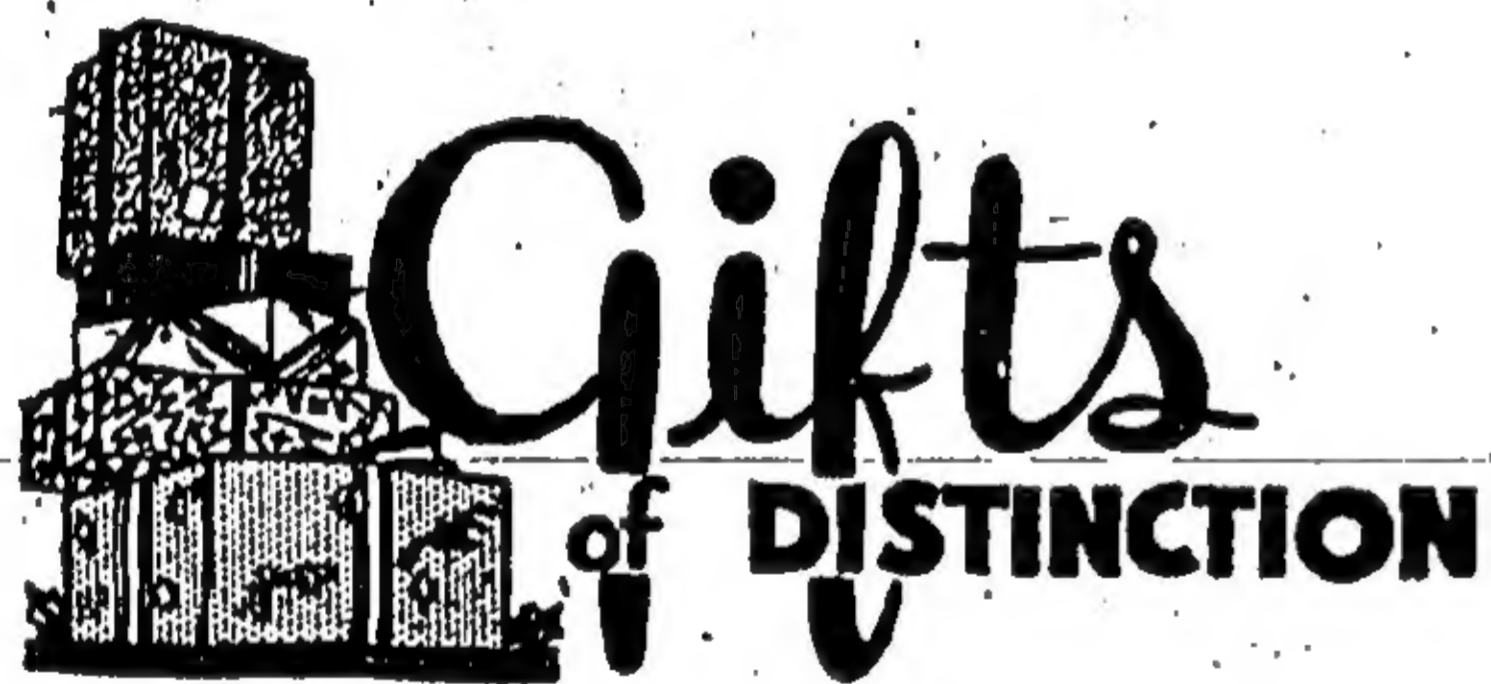
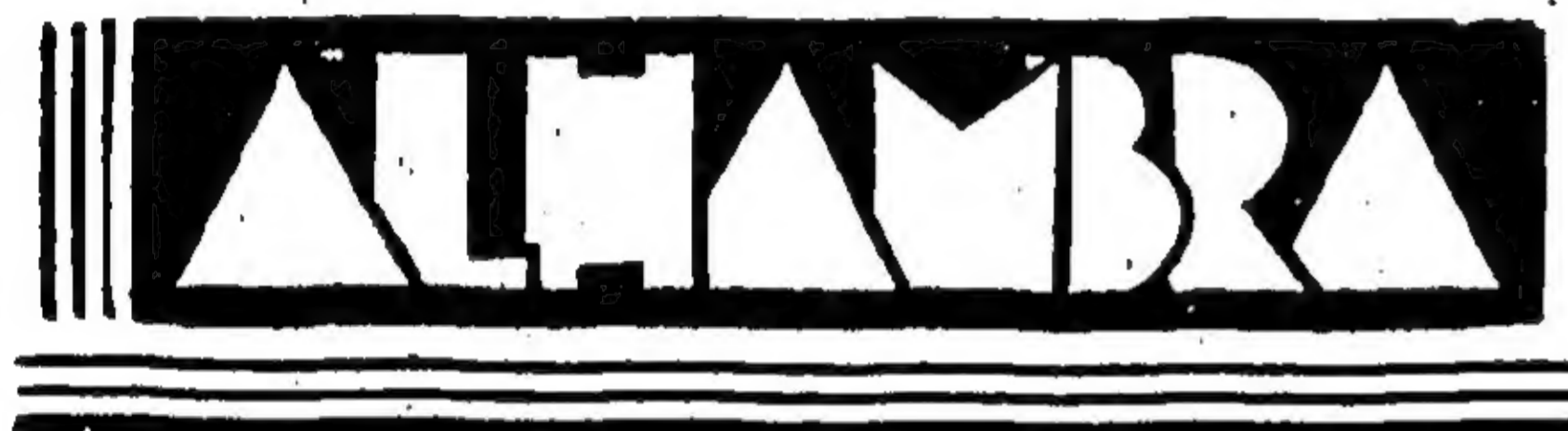
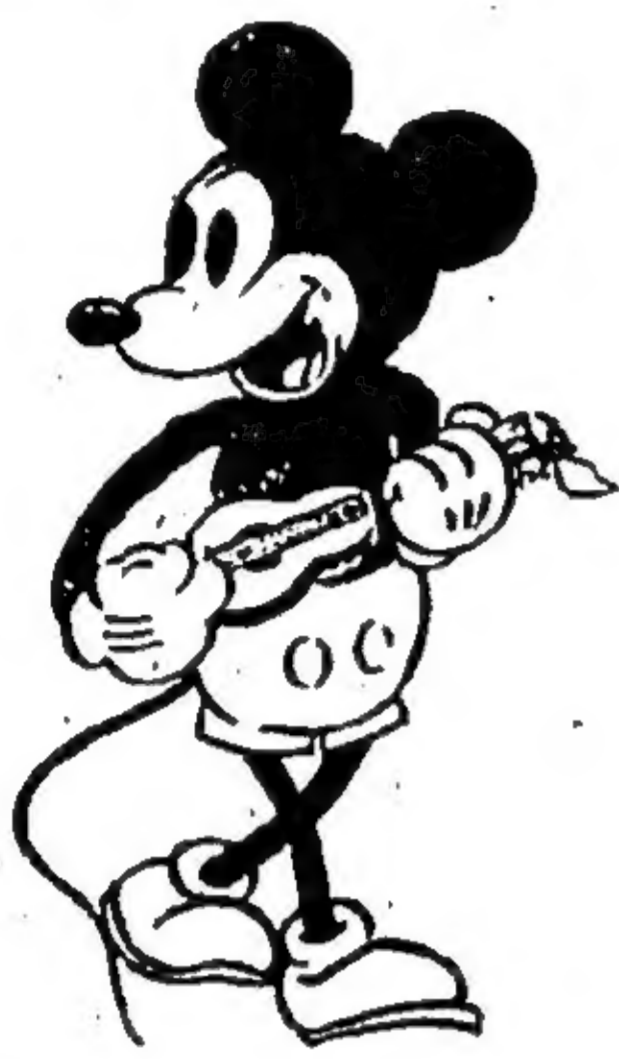
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The wedding took place at Christ Church, Sharncliffe, on Tuesday afternoon, of Miss Mary D. Ricketts and Mr. Gaundry Phillips, the Rev. C. D. Cousins, London Mission, officiating at the ceremony.

The bride, who is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Ricketts of Vancouver, B.C., Canada, was born in Hongkong and, for some time, lived in Canton until the family moved to Canada. For the past two and a half years, she has been teaching at St. Hilda's School in Canton. The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Phillips of Vancouver, B.C., Canada. He was born in Pontycymmer, South Wales, but left for Canada at an early age. Mr. Phillips has been teaching in Hongkong for the past year and a half and is now a member of the staff of the Ying Wa Boys' College in Kowloon.

### Bride in White Satin

The bride, who was given away by the Rev. H. Davies of the New Zealand Presbyterian Mission at Canton, looked charming in a white satin gown. With this was worn a short train and a long veil held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms. Little Miss Ruth Benson as train-bearer was dressed in an ankle-length golden brown silk dress. The bride carried a bouquet of white and yellow chrysanthemums.

The Misses Jean McNeur, of Kong Chuen (New Zealand Presbyterian Mission), and Ruth McCullough, teacher at Lingnan University, Canton, were bridesmaids and wore green silk gowns trimmed with cream lace. Cream gloves and cream silk hats were worn and bouquets of copper-lit chrysanthemums were carried.

### Flower Girls in Brown

The two flower girls, the Misses Lois Benson and Mary Lee Rankin, wore ankle-length golden brown silk dresses, brown velvet hair bows and carried baskets of gold chrysanthemums.

Mrs. H. Davies, who acted in place of the bride's mother, chose a figured brown silk gown with brown silk coat, hat and shoes to match. She carried a colonial bouquet of brown button chrysanthemums.

The duties of best man were undertaken by Mr. Geof. Smith of Vancouver and of the Lingnan University.

Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. H. Davies at Kong Chuen, Canton. After the health of the happy couple had been proposed, they left for their honeymoon, which is being spent in Manila. On leaving, Mrs. Phillips wore a green swaggar suit, fawn hat and gloves, with brown shoes and stockings. She carried a green purse.

## CINEMA NEWS

### NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

After more than two years of preparatory work, actual filming of "Treasure Island", world famous Robert Louis Stevenson story of pirate adventure, has been completed by the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios, and the picture will be shown from Saturday at the Queen's Theatre. In bringing this book to the screen the major problem has been to retain the utmost fidelity in the plot and characters which have been vividly impressed on the minds of millions of readers both young and old. Dozens of adaptations were prepared and then scrapped because they did not express the full strength of the Stevenson original. Finally each character was analyzed for its value to the story with dialogue as in the original plot. The result is said to offer a literal translation of the book to celluloid with a maximum of realism and visual power. An outline of photographic effects was prepared before the filming to ensure pictorial values in every scene. Emphasis was placed on the position of players in composition of settings so that each sequence would have the power of a painter's canvas. The necessity for casting more than fifty individual characters has resulted in some of the finest players in Hollywood being chosen for the picture. Wallace Beery in the role of Long John Silver is said to be an exact personification of the book character; and with Jackie Cooper as Jim Hawkins, boy adventurer, the Stevenson atmosphere of youth and the sparkle of new experience is assured. The famous whaling ship "Nanuk" used by the M-G-M expedition, for its filming of "Eskimo" was rebuilt as the "Himalaya" the ship that carries the adventurers on their treasure hunt. Included in the cast with Beery and Cooper are such notable players as Lionel Barrymore, as Billy Bones; Otto Kruger, Lewis Stone, Nigel Bruce, "Chic" Sale and dozens of others. Victor Fleming, for his vigorous work on "Rendezvous" and "Red Dust", directed.

### "Just Smith"

"Just Smith" the new Tom Walls picture is a Gaumont-British adaptation of Frederick Lonsdale's successful stage comedy "Never Come Back," and has been directed by Tom Walls. Smith is a high-class crook whose chief delight as well as his livelihood is to relieve the wealthy of their negotiable riches. In this instance he plays upon the weakness of his intended victim for titled folk in order to be entertained as guest at the lady's home in the country. There a valuable necklace is stolen and many are suspected. The enquiry detective eventually convinces himself that Smith is straightened out, but Smith still remains an enigma. A picture well played in the Wallisian manner that is bound to be a success. Tom Walls plays lead and is admirably supported by Anne Grey, Carol Goodner, Leslie Perrins, Hartley Power, Eva Moore, Peter Gawthorne and others.

### "Hollywood Speaks"

"Hollywood Speaks", Columbia film now showing at the Alhambra, is a timely story of Hollywood. The truth about the extra girl is revealed—the inside dope on the great directors; an intimate kaleidoscope view of studio life on the other side of the camera. It's Hollywood turned inside out. Genevieve Tobin and Pat O'Brien head a cast that includes Rita La Roy, Leni Stengel and Ralf Harolde. Eddie Buzzell directed.

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"Uncertain Lady" the Universal picture opening to-day at the Queen's Theatre is a corking comedy drama of a business woman who thought she was smart enough to play with love openly and make her husband, who seemed to have gone temporarily astray, come back to the fold. It is easy to imagine the comedy situations of two women apparently fighting over the type of husband you know Edward Everett Horton would portray. Genevieve Tobin is the appealingly beautiful but calculating business wife, a role she has played to perfection in many fine pictures. Horton is the over-nervous, over-timid and certainly un-glamorous husband. When his business wife finds he wants to be off with another woman she agrees to give him his freedom provided he finds her a new husband. Imagine the possibilities in that theme! They have all been fully realized by the excellent direction of Karl Freund. The supporting cast includes such players as Paul Cavanaugh, Dorothy Peerson, Renee Gadd, George Meeker, Herbert Corbell, Mary Nash and in this entertaining picture, Renee Gadd, beautiful young English actress, makes her first appearance on the American screen.

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### KILLED BY BLAST

#### MISPLACEMENT OF POWDER SUGGESTED BY JURY

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, sitting as Coroner, conducted an inquiry into the death of Lo Pat, 56, a workman of the Kin San Contractors, who died as the result of an explosion on the new site of the No. 8 (Upper Level) Police Station on November 28.

The Coroner was assisted by the following jury:—Mr. E. A. Roza (Foreman), Mr. G. L. Hill and Mr. Chan Nai-in.

Inspector M. H. Hourihan was present on behalf of the Police. Dr. L. D. Pringle, medical officer in charge of the Victoria Mortuary, said that the cause of death was rupture of the heart due to the degeneration of its muscle following a blow on the chest. In his opinion, it was not a heavy blow.

He added that from the appearance of the wounds of the skin it could not have been a powerful explosion. There was no burning and the wounds were such as might have been caused by merely throwing stones at the person.

Liu Fuk, coolie foreman, testified that Lo Pat knew nothing about blasting. At 8.45 a.m. on the day in question, deceased was holding a 12 lb hammer and hit a rock as the rock was one foot higher than the level surface in the nullah. In the course of striking there was an explosion. Witness was surprised by it. The blast sounded as usual; no more, no less.

Li Ki, another foreman, said that on the evening of November 25 there were two blasts. Liu Yau, a quarryman, was in charge of setting the blasts. Liu Yau left after finishing his work on November 25 and witness had never seen him again. It was witness's duty to direct the holes to be drilled and their positions. He inspected them at the finish.

The Coroner: Can you offer any explanation why this shot went off twice?

Powder Overlooked?

Witness replied the rock was not properly split the previous night and it was possible that one packet of powder did not go off. The paper may have prevented the fuse from getting to it.

Witness examined the hole the previous night and found it was cracked but not broken to pieces.

His Worship suggested that if water were poured into the hole after a discharge it might prevent a happening of this nature in the future. Witness agreed.

Replying to the Coroner, witness said Liu Yau had worked for one week. He was a good quarryman, knew about blasting and obeyed instructions.

His Worship mentioned that he sent the papers to the Government Analyst, who had expressed an opinion on paper that the rock dust from the hole resisted part of the blast. Shock, friction or percussion could cause a blast.


The Coroner: Is it possible that the charge was an old charge and had been overlooked?

Witness: No. After Chan Ming, a labourer who was standing nearby at the time of the accident, had given evidence, the Coroner summed up briefly.

The jury, after a brief retirement, returned a verdict of accidental death due to some misplacement or dampening of the powder and added, as a rider, the suggestion that precaution might be adopted of pouring water in the shot-hole of a discharge before permitting work to proceed the following day.

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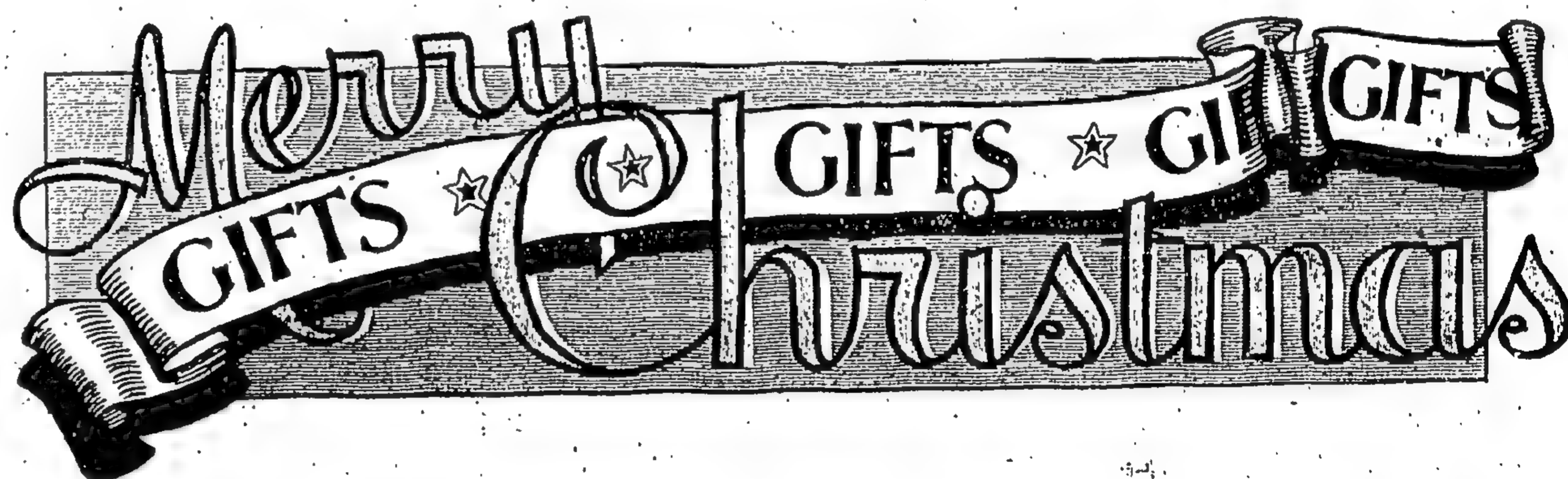


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# YING WA SCHOOL

## ANNUAL REPORT SHOWS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Owing to pressure on space, it was not possible to publish any part of the annual report of the Ying Wa Girls' School, yesterday. The report shows a successful year's work, and stresses the teaching of service to others, as the following extracts indicate:

For the first time we began our school year in September, in order to come in line with the new School Certificate Examination. In a sense therefore it is true to say that this year has been one of adjustment. This is particularly true in the case of the two top classes of the Middle School. Since both would be entering for the School Certificate Examination next June, it seemed advisable that they should begin to work together at once. In most subjects this plan was adopted, but at the same time an opportunity was given to the few in the Senior class to read more widely than is usually possible.

For the first term of the year we had still with us the candidates for the last of the Senior Local Examinations. The results of their examinations have been already reported as they belonged more properly to the last school year.

During the year numbers have kept up well, the average enrolment being 402, and the average daily attendance 390, an average of 97 per cent. It is cheering to reflect on the good health of the scholars, which these figures imply. Of the absences, the greater part are in the spring when infectious diseases occur, especially among the little ones. I should like to take this opportunity of thanking those parents who have co-operated with us in notifying such illnesses and of urging on all the wisdom of so doing, and of excluding such cases for the specified period of quarantine.

### The Girls' Progress.

In the Upper Middle school, while there are no certificates, work has continued steadily in the absence of external examinations. In the other departments of the school, girls have qualified for the certificates that mark the completion of different stages in their school career. From the Lower Middle school, fifteen girls graduated, and we are glad that all but one have returned to begin their Upper Middle school course. From the Primary school, twenty-three girls graduated, while four others who are not entitled to certificates, as they have not been more than a year in the school, qualified for promotion. Fifteen little people completed the Kindergarten course of two years.

In May, four girls sat for the local examinations of the Trinity College of Music. One passed in the Junior Division, one obtained honours, one passed in the Preparatory Division,

and the fourth obtained Honours in the First Steps Division. We were fortunate to begin the year with almost no change of staff, and as I look back on the work done during the year and see the progress made, not only in the work but in the individual development of the scholars, I want to express my appreciation of the loyal and ungrudging service of the staff, both Chinese and non-Chinese. They have given liberally in class teaching, as form mistresses and in the many extras which interest the meaning and purpose of the school.

The English Society formed last year has proved a lively society. It has had several talks on other countries and members have themselves undertaken to give short papers and have entered into the spirit of debates and play readings. It has been interesting to watch the progress made in spoken English in readiness and fluency and to note the increased demand for story books. The correspondence with girls in other countries has been well maintained. There have been several outings, one of these a visit of inspection to the Dairy Farm.

### Fellowship Club

The Wah Kwong Club.—This older society whose membership is open to all Middle school girls, was established under the Y.W.C.A. seventeen years ago. Its activities have changed considerably, but it is still founded on the same principles of Christian co-operation, fellowship and service. A varied programme was followed during the winter. At Christmas time there was again an opportunity to interpret the loving thought of girls in England to some children in the Territory. This time the toys were taken to Castle Peak and distributed after a concert in which the Christmas spirit was evident.

In the summer when early school and the languor of hot days makes it difficult to keep a group together, a very successful series of cooking classes was held. Through the club too, there have been opportunities of meeting and working with girls of other schools.

The Cabinet for the year was a group of girls much younger than usual and for them the conduct of meetings, the forethought needed in planning, the co-ordination and understanding that are necessary for successful meetings, have been valuable experience.

Eight girls attended the Summer Conference at Taipei Uen. In December the school was inspected by Mr. Y. T. P. Law and in June the Director of Education paid an official visit.

In the summer the school again made a collection for the work of the Chinese Home Missionary Society in the inland provinces. We are grateful to Mr. Cheung for the vivid picture which he gave us of the work. Another visitor was Miss Shi. Po these girls are making to their generation.

# LAI TO REST

## FUNERAL OF LATE MR. ABBAS

The funeral of the late Mr. Abdul Rahim Abbas, who died on Tuesday evening, took place at the Mohammedan Cemetery yesterday afternoon and was attended by a large number of friends and relatives. Mulvi Mohamed Shah conducted the funeral service.

Among those present at the funeral were the three sons of the deceased, Messrs. A. H. Abbas, A. A. Abbas (brothers), A. Rahman Abbas, S. Haroon, E. Haroon, I. Haroon, A. S. Sufiadi, A. R. Sufiadi, S. R. Ismail, Dr. H. el Arculli, E. el Arculli, Dr. S. A. M. Sopher, S. A. Sopher, R. M. Omar, A. Bakur, A. K. Ismail, A. H. Hamet, J. Hossein, J. M. Dyer, M. Azim, R. Nazarin, A. R. Minu, A. K. Minu, A. H. Fattiyad, U. Rumjahn, J. Ackber, M. P. Madar, A. Rahmin, M. U. Razack, A. M. Wahab and many others.

Several members of the staff of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company were also present at the funeral, among them being Major C. M. Manners, Mr. C. E. Terry, and Mr. Juman Khan.

Many floral tributes were sent to the graveside.

as some of the Labour conditions in the great mills.

### The Old Girls' Society

The Old Girls' Society held two meetings during the year. The winter meeting, of a social nature, was held in school, there being a very good attendance. We were specially delighted to see that not only those who had recently left were present, but that the gathering was representative of many years.

The summer meeting suffered from being in the hottest week of July, and comparatively few were able to avail themselves of the hospitality of Mrs. Mool at whose home the business meeting was held. Despite the heat, the visit to Messrs. Watson's aerated water factory and the bathing picnic which followed were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

It is indeed a pleasure at these meetings to renew old friendships and to catch glimpses of the contribution to these girls are making to their generation.

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## ENGLAND MOURNS

NOTED FIGURES PASS AWAY

### MEN IN EYE OF PUBLIC

The deaths were announced last month of five famous people namely:—

Mr. Charles Sargeant Jagger, A.R.A., one of Britain's most noted sculptors;

Mr. Dion Titheradge, the playwright, producer, and actor;

Mrs. Alice Pleasance Hargreaves, the original Alice of "Alice in Wonderland";

Mr. John Alexander Brodie, formerly city engineer of Liverpool who claimed to have invented the goal net used in Association football;

And Sir Robert McAlpine, 13 days after the death of his father.

Though Mr. Jagger's death came suddenly, it seemed to friends that he had been waging—and had won—a great race against time to complete a giant statue of the King.

Mr. Jagger who was particularly notable as the creator of the Artillery Memorial at Hyde Park Corner—a magnificent work which laid the foundations of his fame—was only 49. He was found dead in bed by his wife at their home in Albert Bridge Road, Battersea S.W., having presumably passed away in his sleep. His death was apparently due to a heart attack brought on by a common cold, which undermined his health at a time when he was suffering a great strain through worry and overwork.

"It may be that Mr. Jagger felt that his end was near," a friend said, "for latterly nothing could prevent him from working for many hours at a time on the 60 ft. statue of King George, which he has created for New Delhi. It seemed as though he was working against time. Artistically and from a creative point of view, the statue is complete. So Mr. Jagger won his battle against ill-health."

Several circumstances combined to add a poignant note to Mr. Jagger's death. Besides his widow, he leaves two little girls aged six and four.

#### IN PRIME OF LIFE

The death of Mr. Dion Titheradge, the playwright, producer, film scenarist, and actor, occurred at a London Nursing Home, following an internal operation, at the age of 45. He was the brother of Miss Madge Titheradge one of the principals in "Theatre Royal" the new comedy at the Lyric Theatre. Mr. Titheradge had not been in good health for some time.

Mr. John Alexander Brodie, formerly joint engineer of the 48,000-ton Mersey Tunnel, and a man who completely altered the face of Liverpool, during his 27 years as a city engineer, died at his home Alburgh Hall, Alburgh, aged 76. One of Mr. Brodie's claims was that he invented the goal net used in Association football.

Mrs. Alice Pleasance Hargreaves—the original Alice of "Alice in Wonderland" died at her home at Westerham, Kent. She was 82, and had been seriously ill for some weeks. Mrs. Hargreaves was a daughter of the late Dr. Liddell, Dean of Christ Church, Oxford, and when she was 20 she and her two sisters often went boating with their father's friend the Rev. Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, a mathematical tutor at Christ Church. The original manuscript of "Alice's Adventures Underground" as the book was first called, was written in plain script and illustrated by the author with 37 pen and ink sketches which were later used by Tenniel

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as the basis for his famous woodcuts. The 92 page book was many years afterwards to realise the record price of £15,400 when it was put up for sale at Sotheby's. At the time when he gave the work to Alice Liddell, Mr. Dodgson had no thought of publication but he was later persuaded to submit it to Messrs. Macmillan, who published it in 1865.

Death duties will have to be paid twice on the estate of the first Sir Robert McAlpine as the result of the sudden death of his son, Robert, the second baronet, 13 days after the death of his father. He had left Southampton in the Warwick Castle for a trip to South Africa, and in mid-Channel, while dressing for dinner, he had an apoplectic seizure, died, and was buried at sea. He was 66.

The health of the new baronet, Sir Alfred Robert McAlpine, who is 27, has been affected by the shock, first of his grandfather's death, and then that of his father, and he is lying ill at the home of his family at Lingfield, Surrey. The death duty now payable will be 50 per cent.

## FRANCE'S DIVORCES INCREASE

ONLY FELL OFF DURING WAR

### INTERESTING FIGURES

Paris, Dec. 10.

Commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the French Divorce Law, statistics were published here showing that in the last half-century 722,866 divorces were granted in France.

These figures, compiled from the records of the Ministry of Justice reveal that:

1. The first five years are the hardest for a married couple;
2. Wives apply for divorce more than husbands;
3. Adultery ranks second to cruelty as the most frequent cause of divorce;
4. Paris is no longer a divorce mill for Americans and English; and
5. Divorce has been steadily growing in popularity in France, since its inception fifty years ago, with the single exception of the World War period.

The French divorce law was promulgated officially in July, 1884, but did not become effective until September of that year. In the few months that remained, however, there were 1,657 divorces granted.

In 1885, the number increased to 4,123; in 1887, to 5,797 until in 1912 the total reached 16,725. But during the World War divorces fell off and in 1915 there were only 1,952.

But in 1919 the progression was immediately resumed and the number of divorces for that year jumped to 19,405. Since then the increase has been constant and in 1931, the last year for which statistics have been officially compiled, the total attained 28,506.

A survey of the figures for the last fifty years also reveals that there were always more divorces in the metropolitan area of Paris than in the remainder of the country. None of the foregoing figures include divorces in the colonies which it is stated, have been very few in number although they are beginning to show a serious increase.—United Press.

## MISSIONARY SERVICE

### BROKEN LAWS OF CHINA

Speaking at Bolton under the auspices of the Church Missionary Society The Rev. J. W. Duddington of West China gave an account of a school where he is the chaplain and a teacher. "The Government says to us," he said, "that we must not teach Christianity in our school—but nobody keeps laws in China anyway."

There were 400 to 500 children in that school hearing the Gospel every day. "We didn't get that in our schools in England. But in the same city there were four Government schools where anti-Christian and anti-foreign propaganda was taught."

Missionary work, he said, was not just a matter of going out to be a leader—that was not enough. The Chinese Church did not need Britons with imperialism dominant in their nature, but with the spirit of Jesus Christ.

"I am among you as he that serveth," should be their text. The Bishop of Hulme presided.

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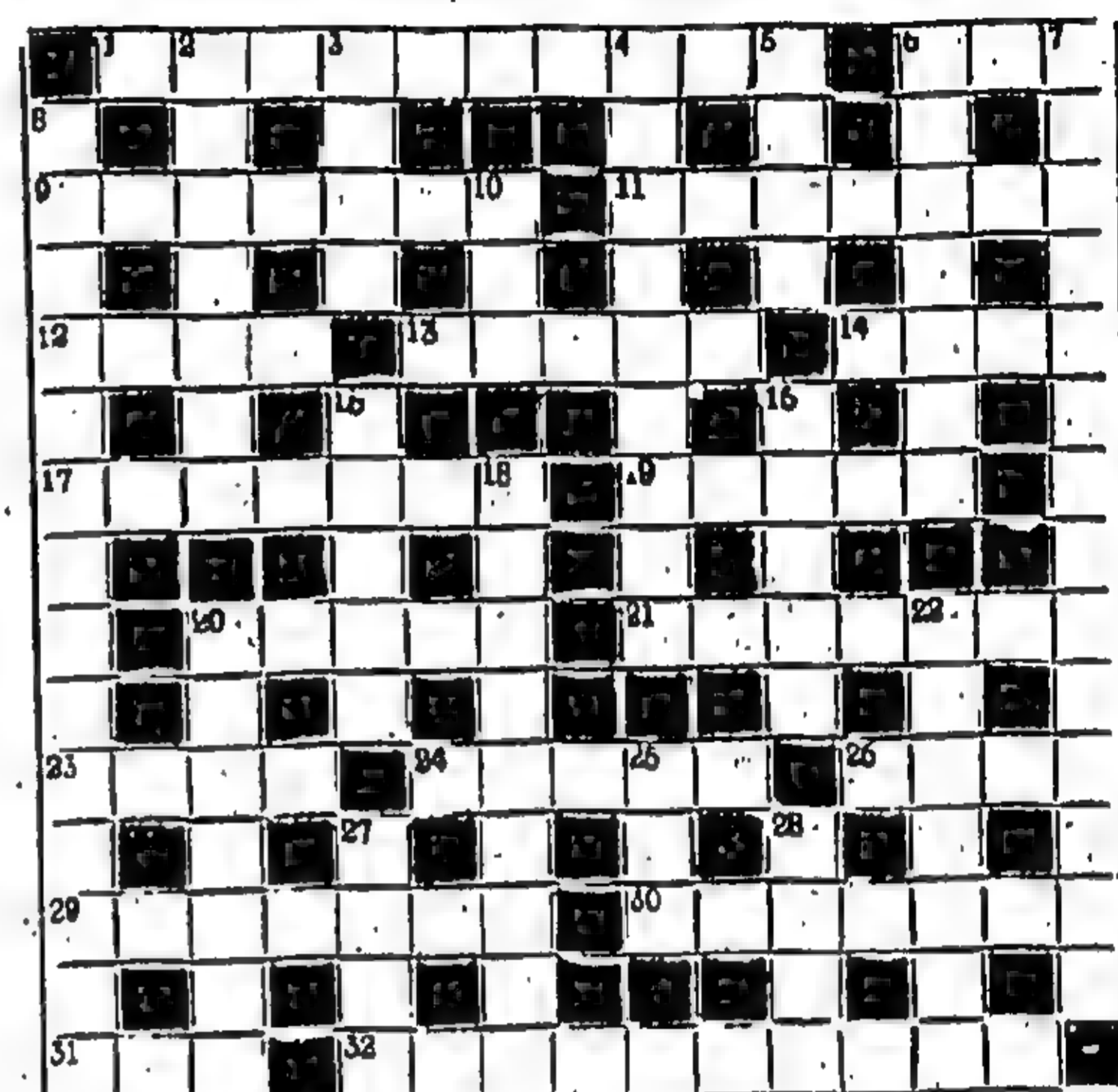
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- 12 The small beginning of a foreign country.
- 13 The friend of the best man to do it to horses.
- 14 Destroy.
- 17 Runs off with a sailor close to where the Tribes start.
- 19 A bit of bone found in old Troy.
- 20 Another bone. You find 'em in fur.
- 21 Is a pear a plant? Certainly. Ripe as a plant, too.
- 23 Look out for the girl; she's lost in the wood.
- 24 Measures for fish or birds.
- 26 It takes time to put out.
- 27 Exonerated—at the Customs?
- 30 Understanding with Frenchmen.
- 31 The god who made a jocular end.
- 32 Belittling.

#### Down

- 2 Set aside.
- 3 A little wood for the author.
- 4 Composers of car tonics.
- 5 As well.
- 6 Another bone which must be put back first.
- 7 Prayer for the Sovereign (two words).
- 8 Short and to the point, and, for

the most part, as a grammarian would have it.

- 10 A boat's propeller.
- 11 Good for nothing—except a clue.
- 12 What! Another? A buccaneer would think its position in regard to 19 perfect. Please don't be cross.
- 18 A good place to give up if you think this puzzle difficult.
- 20 He strolls about and spreads gossip, but not in the Lane; Oh, no.
- 22 He gives largesse.
- 25 Here's a tip: it has one.
- 27 Well, this does come of good stock.
- 28 An animal that adds up.

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## WORLD NEGLECTS PRECIOUS GIFT

There is not enough laughter in the world to-day. Mirth and gaiety are becoming scarcer everywhere, and in some countries have gone out of fashion altogether. There is still, unfortunately, a plentiful supply of men sneering and bitter humour, but there is a dearth of whole-hearted, rousing, roaring, contagious laughter.

This is a very disturbing state of affairs. Although there is no law against merriment, the feeling of society seems to be strongly against it. Life is too serious. Politics is too bitter and industry too hard pressed. Yet surely it is in such difficult times that laughter is needed most. It helps to restore our balance of mind. We all agree that good humour and a sense of gaiety are necessary ingredients of the complete man. Yet we find ourselves concealing our chuckles behind a cough, and blushing with embarrassment when discovered indulging in free, spontaneous laughter.

The need for laughter was never greater than it is to-day. The world is threatened by ambitious persons and policies that will certainly do us harm unless they are laughed out of existence. Argument or abuse is of little value for charlatans and their parties thrive on such. Logic and debate may be worthy weapons in social and political criticism, but ridicule is far more powerful. Rogues and their rogueries write

laughter?

The Press is said to give the public what the public likes. So the fashionable illustrated weeklies provide, for our serious regard, highly diverting photographs of unknown and vacant-looking persons, in ungainly attitudes, sunbathing at Deauville or eating at West-End restaurants. To provoke our laughter they supply drawings of tragic intensity: of wretched gin-sodden charwomen or other unfortunate menials awkwardly saying or doing the wrong thing in the wrong place.

It may be that, when seen through the misty distance that fills most minds, the sordidness and tragedy of life seem pure comedy. But snobishness is the basis of this class of newspaper humour. One may laugh at charwomen and people below stairs. But to laugh at the strange behaviour of the people one meets at cocktail parties is to show shocking bad manners.

**WHY LAUGH AT CHAPLIN?**

The theatre offers similar evidence. A cheap West-End drawing-room melodrama will bring the audience to tears. But the crowd will always laugh at Charlie Chaplin, the most poignant and tragic personality of the present-day theatre.

The suppression of laughter is possibly the cause of this modern violence which is breaking out all over the civilised world. Politics is becoming a "racket" everywhere. Parties rely on gangster methods, crime, and assassination, for their maintenance. We have the tragic spectacle of whole nations persuaded or driven into fanaticism and enslavement. We see them marching, with upraised arms and eyes, intent on vague destinies promised by their frowning prophets. We know of the cruelties inflicted by such savage enthusiasm. And we know also that such people have forgotten how to laugh.

Indeed it is not wise to laugh too loudly in such countries, for laughter sounds dangerously like treason.

So if our desire for mirth and merriment is too firmly repressed, it may produce some horrid cancer of our souls. The impulse to express ourselves in laughter will find some distorted way of escape if it is not allowed to function freely. Let us then hold fast to our right to laugh, for if that is lost we shall have lost our liberty.

J. M. S.



Claire Trevor, the charming New York actress who is well known too in Hollywood, is planning to return to the stage "for good".

and wither in its blast. They cannot stand against it. For laughter is unanswerable.

And laughter is often as reliable as logic. It is an instinctive reaction to all that is theatrical and extravagant. Free, hearty laughter ought to burst from us all, automatically, at a spectacle or proposal which is offensive to the dignity and decency of human life.

### SNOBISH HUMOUR

The pity is, of course, that people so often choose the wrong things at which to laugh. They are not entirely to blame. They are persuaded into the belief that certain ideas must always be treated with respect, while certain others should always be received with laughter.

There are many who read the Press reports of political speeches with grave seriousness, and melt into uncontrolled merriment at the tragic daily spectacle of the newspaper comic strip. Yet what sensitive mind can contemplate without a shudder these plaintive efforts at synthetic humour? And what man of sense can read or listen to the promises and evasions of the professional politician without the desire to punctuate the rhetoric with peals of hearty



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## CHINA EGG EXPORTS

### CRITICS IN BRITAIN

### REFORM URGED

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 11.

There have, I understand, been still further discussions between the principal importers of Chinese eggs and the Board of Trade representatives, who are anxious to fix the quotas for the suggested reduction of 10 per cent. in the import of eggs in shell from abroad during the first three months of next year.

Apparently there has been no real progress made in reaching a decision as to how the quotas were to be allocated. The Chinese Government was not officially represented, because it holds the view that there should be no reduction of the quotas.

I notice that Mr. Greenall, who represented The Overseas Eggs Produce Co., pointed out that China was only an exporter of shell eggs during the period of shortage of home produced eggs, and Mr. Bandy suggested that it would be a considerable hardship if China were to suffer a greater cut than 10 per cent. Mr. Vestey, who, with Mr. Bandy, represented the Union Cold Storage Co., emphasised the fact that China was more seasonal in production than any of the other foreign countries exporting to England. Mr. Lewis (representing Messrs. Armour & Co.) added that China did not compete with the English producer during the latter's period of peak production and said that Chinese eggs (which were small and very cheap) did not really compete at all with the English product.

### AWAITING DECISION

We are now awaiting the decision of the Board of Trade, though I imagine the Minister of Agriculture has still more to do with it. Meantime, vitriolic attacks continue in Chinese liquid eggs. The same writer who recently published an onslaught in "Eggs" has now published one in "The Feathered World". The



Admiral Gengo Hyakutake, recently appointed to Shanghai, his Chief of Staff, Commander E. Kondo, aboard the flagship Idzumo.

N.F.U. Record has a reference to Chinese liquid eggs in the report of its November Council Meeting as follows:—

"The problem of imports of egg products and particularly those of liquid eggs from China was once again very fully discussed. The resolutions received are quite in accord with the feelings of members, but they had the one drawback that it is quite hopeless in present circumstances to put them forward with any prospect of success. There were several less drastic proposals than total prohibition before the Committee, but in view of the representations made already to official quarters and the obvious bearing the Report of the Re-Organisation Commission will have on this matter, it was agreed that any further definite proposals must await the publication of that Report. The Committee is fully alive to the importance of the effect of these imports, but has to recognise the

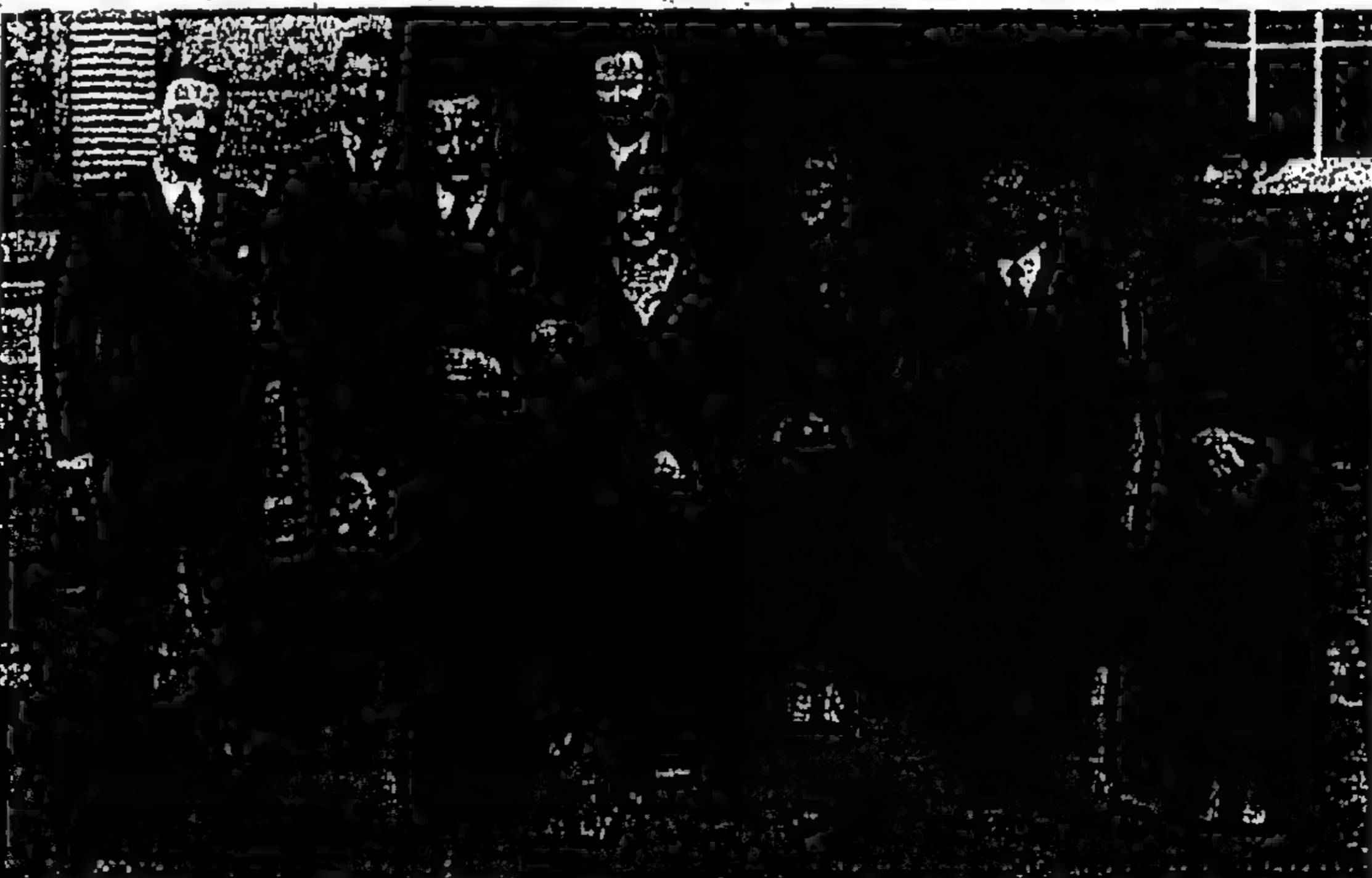
### MINISTERS' PROXY

Mr. Shigem Yeshida, Japanese Ambassador-at-large, who arrived in London recently, left soon afterwards for a tour of Continental capitals. He will be back in London for a longer stay in December. Mr. Yeshida was formerly Japanese Ambassador in Rome. His present occupation is described as that of "proxy for the Foreign Minister" for Europe and America.

enormous difficulty of putting forward a case for adequate control with any hope of success until a long-range policy in respect of egg supplies generally is in sight. Meantime enquiries are being made respecting aspects of the trade on which authentic information is desirable."



Chief among the St. Andrew's Day celebrations in Shanghai was the Ewa Handicap Race for the Jardine Challenge Cup, won by G. C. C. Harper on Movement. Above is shown the finish of the race and a section of the unusually large crowd which attended. The trophies were presented by Mrs. James Macbeth, wife of the President of the St. Andrew's Society.



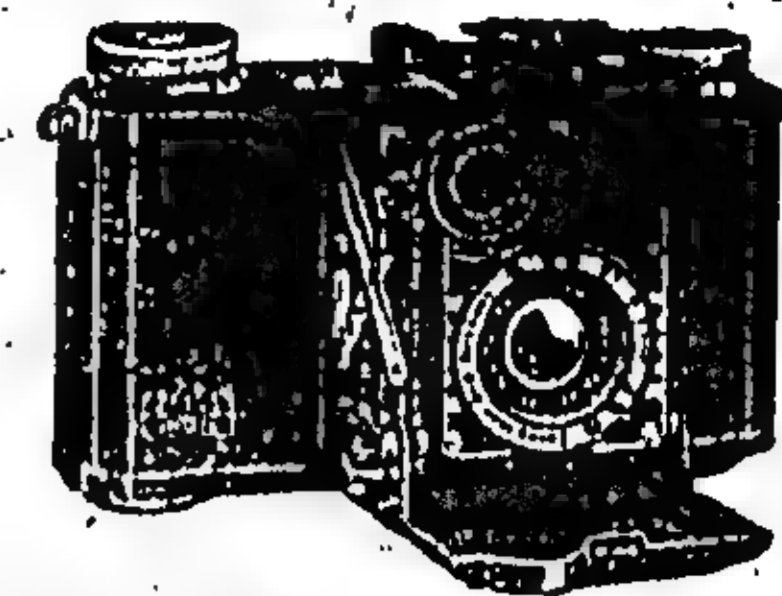
Miss Rita Cohen and Mr. Cyril Wood, with members of their bridal party, photographed outside the British Consulate in Shanghai after their wedding. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Widdowson, brother-in-law and sister of the bride, are included in the group, as also is Mr. F. J. Willis, the best man.

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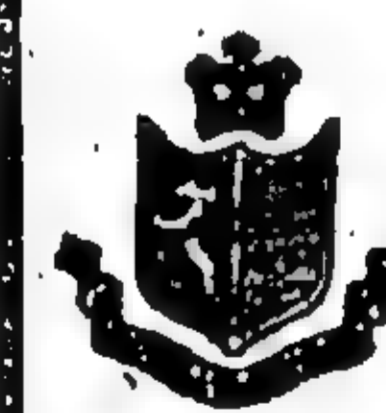
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Athens	57.27/32	57 1/2
Buenos Aires	1/4 1/2	1/4 1/2
Shanghai	4.04 1/2	4.04 1/2
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Amsterdam	20 1/2	20 1/2
Vienna	118 1/2	118 1/2
Prague	492 1/2	492 1/2
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## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

### LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters, British Government Securities

	Dec. 18.	Dec. 19.
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent.	107 1/2	107 1/2
China Bonds	—	—
4 1/2 per cent. 1934	103 1/2	103 1/2
4 1/2 per cent. 1935	99 1/2	99 1/2
5 per cent. 1936	83 1/2	84
5 per cent. 1937	98 1/2	98 1/2
5 per cent. 1938	98 1/2	97 1/2
5 per cent. 1939	77 1/2	77 1/2
5 per cent. 1940	29 1/2	29 1/2
5 per cent. 1941	26 1/2	26 1/2
5 per cent. 1942	100	100
5 per cent. 1943	26 1/2	26 1/2
5 per cent. 1944	46 1/2	46 1/2
5 per cent. 1945	16 1/2	16 1/2
Foreign Bonds and Banks	—	—
German 7 1/2 per cent. 1934	64 1/2	64 1/2
Japanese 5 per cent. 1937	83 1/2	83 1/2
Japanese 5 per cent. 1938	95 1/2	95 1/2
H.K. & S. 1934	117 1/2	117 1/2
Charter, 1934	16 1/2	16 1/2

	Dec. 18.	Dec. 19.
Associated Elec.	247 1/2	247 1/2
British-American Tobacco	124 1/4	124 1/4
Chinese Eng. and Min. (Beater)	20 1/2	20 1/2
Tate & Lyle	100 1/2	100 1/2
Courtauld	46 1/2	46 1/2
Distillers	48 1/2	48 1/2
Dunlop Rubber	21 1/2	21 1/2
Eveready 5 per cent.	60 1/2	60 1/2
General Electric (England)	45 1/2	45 1/2
Imperial Chem. Ind.	36 1/2	36 1/2
Def. 10 per cent.	9 1/2	9 1/2
Imperial Tobacco	139 1/2	139 1/2
Woolworths 5 per cent.	114 1/2	114 1/2
Internat. Nickel	23 1/2	23 1/2
10 per cent. val.	42 1/2	42 1/2
Pinchin Johnson	21 1/2	21 1/2
10 per cent. val.	42 1/2	42 1/2
Turner & Newall	50 1/2	50 1/2
Unilever	24 1/2	24 1/2
Miscellaneous	—	—
Anglo-Dutch	22 1/2	22 1/2
Burma. Corn. Ra.	11 1/2	11 1/2
10 per cent. val.	42 1/2	42 1/2
Austin Motors ord.	21 1/2	21 1/2
Charter, 15 per cent.	21 1/2	21 1/2
(Beater)	21 1/2	21 1/2
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	19 1/2	19 1/2
Treaca Mines 5 per cent.	8 1/2	8 1/2
Lat. & L. 5 per cent.	33 1/2	33 1/2
Sub-Nigel	245 1/2	245 1/2
Pekia Synd. 2 per cent.	1 1/2	1 1/2
ord. sh.	29 1/2	29 1/2
Rubber Trusts	54 1/2	54 1/2
Shal Elec. Const.	61 1/2	61 1/2
Van Ryn Deep	29 1/2	29 1/2
Electric Musical Industries	29 1/2	30 1/2
Oils	—	—
Anglo-Persian Oil	40 1/2	40 1/2
Burma. Oil	70 1/2	70 1/2
Southern Railway (Deferred)	22 1/2	22 1/2
Rolls Royce	108 1/2	108 1/2
Shell Trans. and Trad. (Beater)	43 1/2	44 1/2
Goldenhills 10 per cent.	27 1/2	27 1/2
Chosen Corp.	26 1/2	26 1/2

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INWARD MAILES

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Japan	Bokuyo Maru
Australia and Manila	Banno Maru
Straits	Tottori Maru
London	November
Japan	Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 3rd December)
Japan and Shanghai	General Pershing
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letter only) London, 22nd November	—
Novem. 22nd and Air Mail ex Amsterdam—Holland Service (Amsterdam, 6th December)	—
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 23rd Nov.)	—
Saigon and Air Mail ex Marseilles—Saigon Service (Marseilles, 5th December)	—
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 3rd December)	—
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers)	—
London, 22nd November—and Air Mail ex Imperial Airways Service (London, 8th December)	—
Japan	Montevideo Maru
Amoy	Tilawa
Straits	Tsushima Maru
Shanghai	Menzies
Japan	Nankin
Straits	Somali
Shanghai	Ixion
Japan	Naruto Maru
London	29th November—and Air Mail ex Imperial Airways Service (London, 8th December)
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers)	—
Parcels, London 22nd November.	—
Calcutta and Straits	Naldara
Japan	Talma

## OUTWARD MAILES

	Per	Date and Time
Shanghai and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Thurs., Dec. 20, 4 p.m.
Saigon	Prosper	Thurs., Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pros. Coolidge	Thurs., Dec. 20, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Helene	Fri., Dec. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Japan and Europe via Siberia	Kamo Maru	Fri., Dec. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Letters for "Holland"—Amsterdam Yankuni Maru	—	Fri., Dec. 21, Air Mail Service
Reg., Dec. 21, 11.30 a.m.	Reg., Dec. 21, Noon	Reg., Dec. 21, Noon
Letters, Dec. 21, Noon	Letters, Dec. 21, 12.30 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 21, 12.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Yankuni Maru	—	Fri., Dec. 21, 12.30 p.m.
East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 10th January)	—	—
Reg., Dec. 21, noon	Reg., Dec. 21, noon	Reg., Dec. 21, 12.45 p.m.
Letters, Dec. 21, noon	Letters, Dec. 21, 1.30 p.m.	Letters, Dec. 21, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Haiyang	Fri., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.
Manila	Pros. Adams	Fri., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Kutang	Fri., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.
Saturday	—	—
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Atsuta Maru	—	Sat., Dec. 22, via Thursday Island
(Due Thursday Island, 3rd Jan.)	—	Reg., Dec. 22, 8.45 a.m.
Letters, Dec. 22, 9.30 a.m.	Letters, Dec. 22, 9.30 a.m.	Letters, Dec. 22, 9.30 a.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	Suisang	Sat., Dec. 22, 10 a.m.
Parcels, Dec. 22, 9 a.m.	Letters, Dec. 22, 10 a.m.	Letters, Dec. 22, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Fuchimi Maru	—	Sat., Dec. 22, 10.30 a.m.
Siberia	—	—
Amoy	Tjikembang	Sat., Dec. 22, 12.30 p.m.
Letters for "Imperial"—Airways Montevideo Maru	—	Sat., Dec. 22, 12



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## YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY

### Club Beat Medway With Ten Men

Playing with ten men, H. Owen Hughes being the absentee, the Hongkong Hockey Club seniors defeated a team from H.M.S. Medway by two goals to one on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday afternoon, in a friendly hockey match. The Club led by two goals to nil at the interval. In the first half, the Club obtained their first goal through G. E. R. Divett who took the ball down on his own and dribbled past the Medway goalkeeper. Divett was also responsible for the second goal.

The Medway forwards settled down to better combination in the second half. Their centre-forward sent in a hard shot which C. L. Gregory saved well. Shortly after this a concerted attack resulted in Sub-Lieut. Knox finding the net for the Naval team, following a miskick on the part of the Club custodian.

For the Club, J. Rodger, J. L. Tetley and J. E. Potter played well in the defence, while Knox, Lieut. Holland, Martin and Lt.-Col. J. A. Corrie Hill were the pick of the Medway team.

## YACHTING

### Commodore Elliott Wins "A" Class Race

Yesterday the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club held the fifth of their series of Wednesday races. Commodore Elliott won the race for "A" class yachts, when he posted an average over the course of 6.4 miles. Heron, with Captain Inglis at the tiller, captured the race for "B" and "C" class vessels.

The following are the results:  
A Class, Started 14.50  
Finished 14.50  
Heron (Capt. Inglis) 7 1 11  
Duke (Lieut. Col. Skyrms) 7 2 10  
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Wasp II (Major Griffiths) 7 3 18  
Jan (Mr. Bruce) 7 4 24  
Cuda (Mr. Davis) 7 5 24  
Pat (Commodore F. Elliott) 7 6 28  
Painted Lady (Mr. H. R. R. R.) 7 7 21  
"B" and "C" Classes, Started 15.05  
Finished 15.05  
Allan (Lieut. Douglas) 7 8 24  
Jade (Lieut. R. D. Williams) 7 9 19  
Heron (Capt. Inglis) 7 10 18  
Isabella (Mr. T. Morris) 7 11 20  
Whitson (Mr. R. E. Dixon) 7 12 18  
Gael (Capt. Quinlan) 7 13 10  
Kunze (Mr. F. Anthony) 7 14 12  
Lola (Mr. P. G. Parker) 7 15 13

## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:-

**Banks.**  
Hongkong Bank, \$1625 b.  
H. K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), \$137 1/2 n.  
Chartered Bank, \$16 n.  
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. \$32 n.  
East of Asia Bank, \$93 n.  
Am. O. Finance Corp., Sh. \$20 n.  
China O. Fin. Ord. Sh. \$1.80 n.  
China O. Fin. Pref. Sh. \$4 1/2 n.

**Insurance.**  
Canton Ins., \$270 n.  
Union Ins., \$500 b.  
China Underwriters, \$1.15 b.  
China Fire, \$610 n.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$237 1/2 n.  
Internal Assurance, Sh. \$5.00 n.

**Shipping.**  
Douglas, \$40 1/2 b.  
H.K. Steamboats, \$7 1/2 n.  
Indo-China, (Pref.), \$30 n.  
Indo-China, (Def.), \$38 n.  
Shell's (Bearer), 44 1/2 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$13 1/2 n.

**Mining.**  
Antamoka, 74 cts. b.  
Batuloc, \$37 n.  
Baguio Gold, 40 cts. n.  
Benguet, \$13.75 n.  
Benguet, Exploration, 21 cts. n.

Benguet Goldfield, 20 cts. n.  
Big Wedge, 10 cts. n.  
Gold Creek, 25 cts. n.  
Gold River, 23 cts. n.  
Ipp Mining, \$1 n.  
Hogons, 40 cts. n.  
Sulphur, 16 cts. n.  
Kailan, 20 1/2 n.  
Langkai (Single), \$15 n.  
Shai Explorations, Sh. \$5 n.  
Shai Loans, Sh. \$6 n.  
Rauba, ex. div., \$10.70 n.  
Venz Goldfield, \$5 n.

**Docks, etc.**  
H.K. Wharves, \$108 b.  
H.K. Docks, \$123 1/2 n.  
Providents (old), \$140 n.  
Providents (new), 50 cts. n.  
Hongkew (old), Sh. \$310 n.  
New Engineering, Sh. \$5 1/2 n.  
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$120 n.

**Cotton Mills.**  
Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$9 n.  
Shai Cottons, (old), Sh. \$74 n.  
Shai Cottons, (new), Sh. \$44 1/2 n.  
Zoung Sings, \$9.40 n.  
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$55 n.

**Lands, Hotels, etc.**  
H. and S. Hotels, \$5.10 b.  
H.K. Lands, \$55 1/2 n.  
H.K. Lands 4% debentures, \$100 b.  
Shai Lands, Sh. \$24 1/2 n.  
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$12.20 n.  
Humphreys, \$9 1/2 n.  
H.K. Realities, \$4.90 n.

## SILVER WEDDING

### PRESENTATION TO MR. A HICKS FROM COLLEAGUES

As a mark of appreciation from his colleagues, Mr. A. Hicks, the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph, was presented with a gift yesterday to commemorate his silver wedding anniversary. The presentation was made on behalf of the subscribers, members of the editorial staffs of the Telegraph and Morning Post, by Mr. B. Wylie, who mentioned that it was a pleasant thing for Mr. Hicks to look back to twenty-five years of married bliss in Hongkong. In handing over the gift, a silver cigarette box, he wished Mr. and Mrs. Hicks continued happy years, up to and beyond their golden wedding anniversary. Mr. Hicks, in expressing thanks, referred to the help and encouragement he had received in his career from his wife.

**Asia Realities "A" Sh. \$100 n.  
"B" Sh. \$20 n.  
Chinese Estates, \$88 n.  
China Realities, Sh. \$12 1/2 n.  
China Debenture, \$125 n.**

### Public Utilities.

Tramway, \$20.10 b.  
Peak Trams (old), \$12 n.  
Peak Trams (new), \$7 n.  
Star Ferries, \$98 b.  
Yau-mat Ferries, (old), \$22 1/2 n.  
China Lights (old), \$10.40 b.  
China Lights (new), \$10.15 b.  
H.K. Electric, \$71 1/2 b.  
Macao Electric, \$25 n.  
Sandakan Lights, \$8 n.  
Telephones (old), \$25 n.  
Telephones (new), \$10.70 b.  
China Buses Sh. \$12.40 n.  
Singapore Tractors, 4/3 b.  
Singapore Prof. 10/9 n.

**Miscellaneous.**  
Malacca Sugars, \$5.70 n.  
Siam (old), Sh. \$21 a.  
Cald. Mack. (Pref.), \$20 n.  
Canton Ice, \$2.85 b. and n.  
Cement (com.), \$2.30 n.  
H.K. Ropes, \$4.10 n.  
Dairy Farms \$24 n.  
Watson, \$5 n.  
Lane Crawfords, \$3.75 n.  
Macintosh, \$21 n.  
Sinceres, \$8 n.  
Am. Powers, 70 cts. n.  
Wing On (H.K.), \$105 n.

**Miscellaneous.**  
Amusements, \$2.75 n.  
H. K. Entertainments, \$7 1/2 n.  
S. C. Enterprises, \$1 n.  
Macao "Greyhound", \$2 n.  
Construction (old), \$2 n.  
Constructions (new), 78 cts. b.  
Vibor Piling, \$6.60 n.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S. Bonds 92% n.  
H.K. Gov. 4% Loan 8% prem. b.  
H.K. Gov. 3 1/2% Loan, 3 1/2% prem. b.  
Wallace Harpers, \$7 1/2 a.

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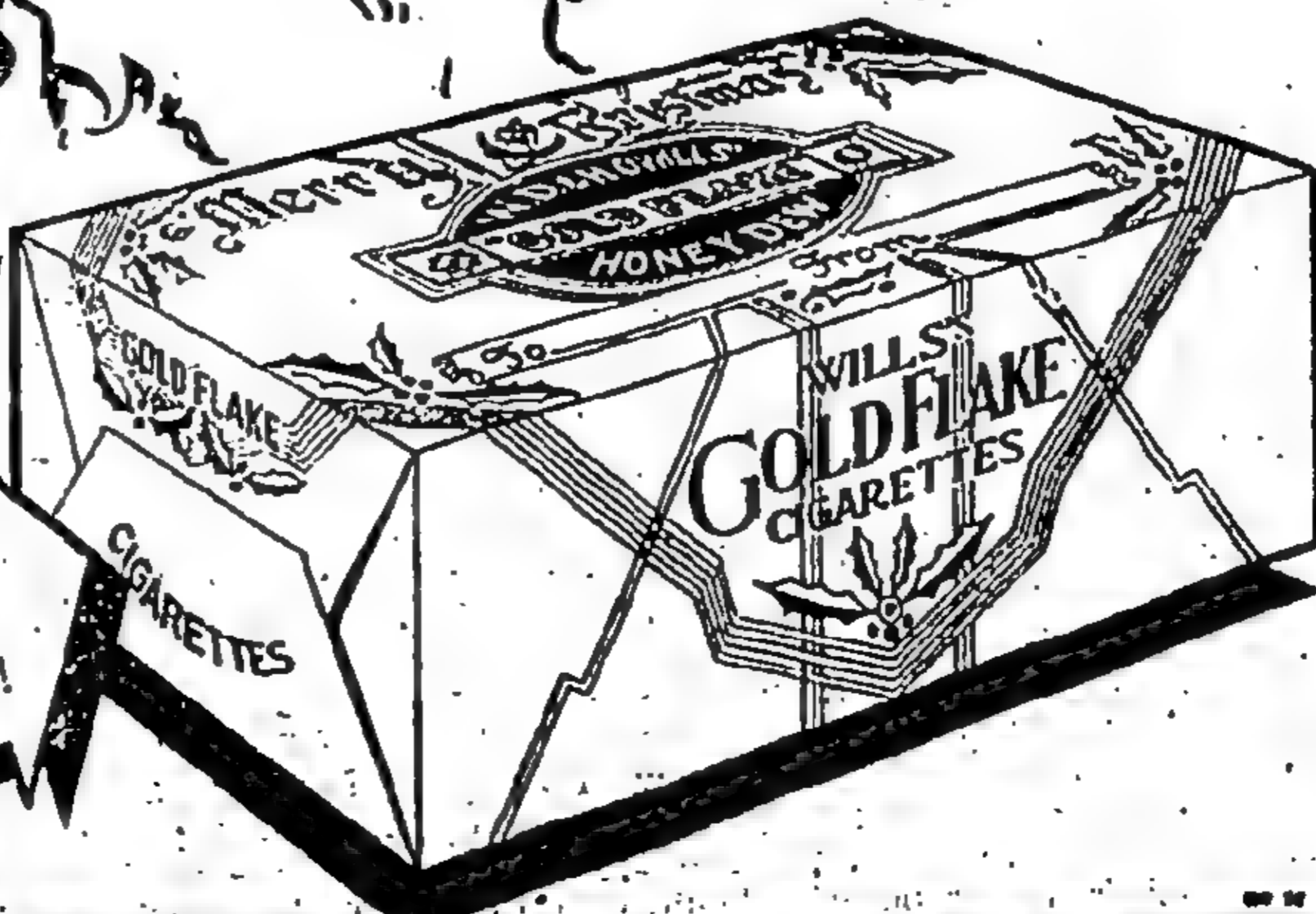
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## DISFIGURING THE HILLSIDE

The disfigurement of the hillside just below Wanchai Gap by a conglomeration of matchsheds and other structures was the subject of a series of questions at Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board. This is a subject to which we have on several occasions alluded during the past two or three years, in the hope that measures would be taken to clean up the area affected. Instead of any improvement being effected, however, there has latterly been a big increase in the number of temporary buildings. In all, there are at present twelve structures within this area, accommodating between eighty and ninety workmen, for whom the sanitary facilities are necessarily somewhat crude; they are situated unpleasantly close to European residences either built or in process of construction. These buildings are said, by the President of the Sanitary Board, to serve a useful purpose, although he would not go so far as to say that they are absolutely necessary. They are used, in the main, in connection with a road-widening scheme and the construction of private residences. For this reason, it is stated, their replacement by more permanent ones would be uneconomical. This argument, however, does not apply to a group of five structures comprising a matchshed, two kitchens, a wood store and a latrine. These, presumably, are Public Works Department buildings, and, unless we are confusing them with another block, have been in existence for some years. At any rate, for longer than we care to remember, this area has been sadly disfigured by buildings of this type, and it is to be hoped that, once the work which has called the greater number of them into being is concluded, some effort will be made to restore the locality to its original appearance. Road gang matchsheds, according to the President of the Sanitary Board, are being gradually replaced by more permanent structures. There has, however, been no sign of such a development in the region referred to. From the fact that a number of sheds have been accommodated at this spot for some years, in no way connected with the nearby road widening project or the erection

## NOTES OF THE DAY CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Mother knows best about most things, but not necessarily about the books her children should read. This blunt statement is made in the current issue of *The Parents Magazine*. Its author, Joseph Frank, makes it as a result of long experience in the Child Study Association; and this experience leads her to lay down a very simple common sense rule about books for children. No book, she says, is a good book for a child if it fails to interest him. Conversely, if it does interest him it very likely is a good book—for him; although the child next door might not like it at all. One of our little fallings is our easy-going habit of assuming that all children are pretty much alike in their tastes. We do not make that mistake with adults; we are ready enough to admit that one man may like the works of S. S. Van Dine while his neighbour prefers Dickens. But we take it for granted that all children will like the same thing. Furthermore, we jump to the conclusion that they will like the books we ourselves liked as children. We were enthralled, for instance, by the Henry books; therefore the youngster will eat them up, and if he does not, there must be something wrong with him.

## MATTER OF TASTE

Many a father has actually been horrified to discover that such a book as "Jim" bored his son to distraction, while "Ivanhoe" which the father himself never could endure—is swallowed whole with great avidity. As a matter of fact, the parent's responsibility in regard to the books his children read is a good deal less than we sometimes suppose. About all the father or mother can do is see to it that good books are available to the youngsters. There are many mansions in the realm of literature; provide the children with the key, turn them loose—and let them choose where they choose. Children are great ones to recognize shams and to detect the second-rate. Ordinarily, a child will instinctively prefer a good book to a poor one.

## APPLE ANNIE

One of the least lovely traits we possess is our fondness for making a sentimental fuss over the coffins of people who never got a decent break from us while they were alive, writes Bruce Catton, columnist. That peculiar community symbolised by the word "Broadway" went in for a regular orgy of that sort of thing the other day when an old woman known as "Apple Annie" was laid to rest. Apple Annie was a poor old woman who for years supported herself by peddling apples and enewing gum on Times Square. It was not such a good way of making a living, as you can imagine; the thought of a woman of 70 keeping on the pavement in all kinds of weather to make enough for her support is not a pleasant one. But Apple Annie stuck to it, and she enjoyed a moment of fame, a year ago, when she wrote a story about her, the story was transformed into a movie—and a press agent came along and used Apple Annie to "ballyhoo" the picture. She was turned into a lady for a day; they put her up at a fine hotel, trotted her around Broadway in a big car, dressed her up in fine clothing, gave her a real meal—and then, after it was all over, let her go back to apple-peddling. As a matter of fact, people completely forgot about her. Like other businesses, the selling of apples suffered a diminishing profit margin. Besides, Apple Annie was pretty well on in years. Presently she vanished, and nobody knew what had happened. Then, a few days ago, Apple Annie turned up—in the morgue. She had died during the night, and the enfeebled old husband whom her earnings as a peddler had helped keep alive. She lay in the morgue a week before anyone recognised her. But once she was identified, Broadway turned out to give her a fine funeral. Stars from the stage and the night clubs gathered by her coffin. Expensive bouquets and wreaths were sent. Broadway, as they say, showed that it "had a heart." So Apple Annie had two big days; one when a press agent used her to ballyhoo a movie, and one when she was buried. If people had a decent amount of genuine human sympathy, wouldn't they have spread all that fuss out a little bit more, so that the poor old lady could have got a little good out of it?

of new residences, it is to be presumed that they serve a necessary service. If so, they should certainly be replaced by a better type of structure. Now that the matter has been brought to the notice of the authorities, we should like to see the issue followed up further, with a view to obtaining an assurance that the area will soon be rendered less unsightly than it is at present.

## PARENTS MUST FIGHT FOR CHILDREN

By MARGARET LANE

INTEREST in the sensational Vanderbilt case, which, after a hearing lasting seven weeks, has been concluded, now centres on the future of 10-year-old Gloria Vanderbilt, the most moving figure in one of the most remarkable lawsuits of this century. A peculiar future has been prepared by her relations for little Gloria Vanderbilt. She has no idea of it yet—riding her pony, over her aunt's Long Island estate, childishly unimpressed by the legal solemnities and bitter emotional storms that have been going on around her; but as she grows older she will find the name of Gloria Vanderbilt carrying a heavy load of associations. She will go through life as the central figure of the world's most celebrated case for the custody of a child.

She cannot remember her father. He died a little more than nine years ago, never dreaming he was leaving his little million-dollar daughter to be fought over by his wife, his mother-in-law, and his own sister. If he were alive today Gloria might have had a chance of growing up an ordinary little rich girl—in privacy and the pleasant surroundings of her own unquestioned home. The judge, perhaps out of compassion for the 10-years-old child, whose mother he had heard calumnyed in court by her own servants, made the proceedings private. The effect of that compassion was to whet the world's appetite for scandal in high places, and set whispering a thousand rumours.

Whether Gloria will come happily out of the battle in the end, or whether her life is spoiled already, not even her mother or her aunt will know for perhaps another twenty years. It is an unhappy fact that children can be the cause and centre of the bitterest legal struggles that ever go through the courts. The child, of course, has no say in the matter, any more than a piece of property valuable enough to quarrel about. He may be valuable because he is rich, or heir to a title, or because both his parents love him. Sometimes he or she may be valuable as a weapon for embittered people to use against each other. In any case, the child gets little out of it but a whispered story that will stay faithful to it for ever. Most famous of all litigations over a child—excepting only this far-reaching Vanderbilt struggle—was the Russell case of twelve years ago, which lasted two years and cost £40,000. Little Geoffrey Russell, the 8-month-old baby for whose sake his mother, the Hon. Mrs. Christabel Russell, fought her husband's divorce action up to the House of Lords, was brought into court in a bundle of white woollen shawls and examined by judge and jury. By the time the case was over and his mother had won her appeal against the decree nisi he was a handsome little boy running about and already able to talk.

The struggles of estranged parents for possession, of their

children, are fought out almost daily in the courts, though most of them are between people too humble to attract attention. The passionate determination of both parents to keep the child provokes such bitterness and hostility that the situation often trembles on the edge of tragedy. Early this year a young chauffeur committed suicide when the custody of his baby son was given to his wife, who had obtained a separation order against him. Kidnapping is by no means unheard of; several years ago a divorced father kidnapped his 8-years-old daughter and hid with her until he was run to earth by detectives in Antwerp and the child returned to the custody of her mother. The objection the Home Office put forward to the passing in 1925 of the long-delayed Bill giving a mother equal claims with the father to the possession of her children was that it might in extreme cases be "conducive to murder." It is difficult to believe, now, that only nine years ago a mother was not legally the parent of her child. Before 1925, even a mother with a baby at her breast could not, in law, call the child her own, or dispute its custody or control with the father. The Guardianship of Infants Act, which gave wives equal rights with their husbands, ended an absurd injustice and laid the foundations of countless legal disputes. Armed with the new power women showed themselves far readier than men to go to law for possession of a child.

Any child is unfortunate who finds itself the bone of contention between parents or relations. The child is doubly unhappy whose wealth or position makes that contention a matter of world-wide curiosity, and the sins of whose parents are visited on it in gossip and malice at least for its own generation. The law, seen through the eyes of a child growing up by its decisions, must seem a cruel and forbidding institution, dividing families and friends, taking the child sometimes from the parent he loves and delivering him over to the other, or through the unfamiliar doors of some institution.

The whole legal business of fighting for a child is unpleasant and cruel, but actually the law is the only kind thing in a very unkind tangle of human passions—human love, jealousy, greed, malice, whatever makes two or more people fight passionately for the possession of an unconcerned child. If those passions were free to fight it out without the cool intervention of the law, the potentially rich, titled, or loved child of estranged parents or guardians would have about as much chance of happy survival as a rabbit in a cage of pumas. Gloria Vanderbilt may never lose a feeling of fear at the mention of the law, but eventually she may discover that in the whole unhappy business the intervening judge was her best and most disinterested friend.

## The Very Idea! DUMB-BELLES LETTRES

By Juliet Lowell

KITCHEN CATTLE

Auburn, Dec. 12.

Swift & Co.

Freind Sir

Wood you be kind enouge to send won of them calendar We allways get won of you They are got up soo good (Hogs shoepes coves & Mules & Horses & Chicena) I think they are fine calendar. We have had won every year in our store then I bring to home the top part and hange in my kitchen.

If you have got 2 to spare I would like whin the Cow & soe-forth Look soo nice I like dumb beast dearly.

Mr. Monroe A.

(signed)



I bring to home the top part and hange in my kitchen.

Style is everything

St. Louis, Mo.

May 4, 1930.

Mr. Walter Huston

Culver City, California

Dear Mr. Huston:

To come to the point quick. I want you to lend me \$500. The reason I am writing this letter to you is that I have seen so many of your pictures and you always have faith in human nature and that is why I thought you would lend me the money.

Even if you are not inclined to help me write me a letter. We could keep up a correspondence because I like your style.

Your friend to be

David H. S.

Teacher's Helmpato

Centerville, Ind.

Dec. 1, 1931.

Tony Sarg, Marionette Maker

54 West 9th St.

New York City

Dear Tony:

My teacher isn't married but she wood like too be. I know you wood like her. She is most nearly pretty. I hope you have a marry Xmas and your pupots to. I wish you goodby.

Elise

Hope They Come Through Clean

Dear Mrs. Stanley:

I hope the sunshine is making you feel gooder. The kids am fine. I don't know anything about Mr. Stanley's whereabouts, but I think they are in the wash.

Sincerely yours,

Ellie G.

(signed)

One Penny  
I was once travelling—this is a true story—in an express to Aberdeen. I dined in the restaurant car. Seated opposite me was a passenger, obviously well-to-do, in a fur-lined overcoat. This lad was particularly fussy about his dinner—went into committee with the waiter on almost every course; sent several dishes back for amendment; ordered specially-made toast, and so on. He gave more trouble to the staff than the rest of the diners put together.

At the end of the repast, having paid his bill, he presented the waiter with a penny.  
I have often thought of this episode, and laughed. I thought of it again, this week, when I read of the Government's grant of £2 million for the devastated areas. At a moment when (I suppose) there is more wealth in the country, seeking profitable investment, than at any time since the war.

It must be one of the mingiest, most ludicrous gestures that the Government of a prosperous country has ever made.

Admirals All  
(Five retired Admirals are attending classes in carpentry under the auspices of the Portsmouth municipality.)

Admiral Smith, go get your plane—

Admiral Jones, your file—

Admiral Brown, let's hope the town

Will think your work worth while—

Pipe to, my lads; the night is short—

We can't afford to play—

Then home we'll jog for a glass of grog—

At the end of a well-spent day!

Admirals all, for England's sake

Show us what you can do!

If you bring renown to Portsmouth town—

Our town will be proud of you!



"Raines, what did you think of that dress the hostess had on?"

## CHINESE ARTISTS' EXHIBIT

WORK PRAISED BY CRITICS

PREVIEW IN LONDON

London, Dec. 19. Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Minister to Britain, gave a reception at the Legation to-day when a selection of Chinese contemporary paintings, which will be exhibited in London in February, was shown to a large and distinguished company.

The guests included Mr. Laurence Binyon and all the leading critics of the country. The pictures were greatly admired.

Critics said that while the old, conventional style of Chinese artistry had been preserved in these exhibits, the method of treatment had been obviously broadened by world influences. In the painting of birds and flowers, it was generally agreed, the Chinese remain unsurpassed.

—*Reuter*.

## JAPAN TO PRESS DISARMAMENT

(Continued from Page 1.)

conversations will occur in about two or three months time, in spite of the announcement of the pending denunciation of the Washington Treaty by Japan, declared Sir John Simon, the Foreign Minister, in a speech broadcast to the nation last night.

Great Britain regretted Japan's decision very much but nobody was entitled to complain, he said. Japan was quite entitled to abrogate the treaty if she felt it was unsatisfactory.

The Japanese action, though serious, should not be confused with tragedy, said the Foreign Minister.

## CALAMITY NOT ARRIVED

There still remained two years in which to try to arrive at a new agreement. It would be a real calamity, and a fearful one for the world of the future, if there were no treaties limiting the total of warships and the maximum size of fighting craft.

The Government was determined to do everything in its power to preserve the treaty system. It felt that nothing was more important for the peace of the world than for the naval powers with special interests and responsibilities in the Far East to continue to agree to naval limitation and to co-operation in a collective system designed to preserve good and friendly relations between all the nations in the area.

## BRITISH INTERESTS

"The British Commonwealth has responsibilities in the Far East which we must discharge and we cannot yield on the essentials necessary for our security," said Sir John.

"At the same time we must try to put ourselves in the position of others, and we mean to do our utmost to work out with them plans which will do justice to all and provide the equality of security which is the right of every community."

## JAPAN'S PROPOSALS

He referred to Japan's proposals and said that the British Government felt that equality of security was not necessarily reached by such an arrangement as the Japanese desired.

He, and the Government, felt that in view of the greater range of responsibilities in Europe and Asia and elsewhere, and the vast extent of the British sea communications, a comparatively larger British navy was necessary to preserve this "equality of security."

Progress had been made at the London conferences, he asserted, and difficulties had been discussed calmly and frankly, with never a breach of good feeling. Doubtless they had a long way to go, but as soon as the opportunity moment arrived the Government would take appropriate steps to resume the naval conversations.

—*Reuter*.

## OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

London, Dec. 19. The preliminary naval conversations, in which representatives of the United States, Japan and the United Kingdom have been engaged in London, were adjourned to-day at a meeting under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister. A communiqué issued later stated that "the conversations which were started last June and after a recess have been proceeding since October 23, are agreed by the repre-

## GOLD BLOC'S FUTURE

LIKELIHOOD OF REVALUATION

Washington, Dec. 19. The basic economic condition of all the Gold Bloc members indicates revaluation as the logical course.

Trade balances continue unfavourable and unemployment is increasing in France, Belgium and Holland.—*Swan, Culbertson and Fritz*.

## OFFICERS' EXAMINATION

Nanking, Dec. 20. The Ministry of Communications has extended until June, 1935, the period for ships' officers to be examined regarding their qualifications. The period was due to expire at the end of this month.—*Reuter*.

## FAIR WEATHER

The anticyclone has moved eastwards, pressure being highest over Korea and South Manchuria. The depression has moved eastward into the Pacific. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

For being in possession of 903 public lottery tickets, Wong Kwai-chung was fined \$250, or three months, by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning. Sub-Inspector Dudge told the Court that defendant was arrested yesterday in Queen's Road West. Defendant admitted possession but stated that he did not know the laws of the Colony.

representatives of all three Governments to have served a useful purpose.

"These conversations, initiated under the London Naval Treaty of 1930, became broadened in scope in the light of proposals and suggestions subsequently made. Every aspect of the naval problem has been discussed between the parties frankly, fully and amicably. It was never the purpose of these preliminary conversations to reach any hard and fast conclusion. The sole purpose was to prepare the ground for future negotiation and agreement. The French and Italian Governments, also signatories of the present Naval Treaty, and associated with the discussions in the summer, have been kept informed of all developments.

## FURTHER CONSIDERATION

"Although the three Governments represented in these conversations are in favour of a continuation of naval limitation, with such reduction as can be agreed upon by all the Powers concerned, the principle and methods for achieving this in the future remained to be determined. Now that the respective views have been made known and fully discussed, the conversations have reached a stage when it is felt that there should be an adjournment in order that the delegates may resume personal contact with their Governments and the resulting situation can be fully analysed and further considered.

"It has therefore been agreed to adjourn the conversations at this point. The Governments concerned in the London conversations will keep in close touch with each other and with other Governments which are parties to the London and Washington Naval Treaties. The adjournment will also give His Majesty's Government an opportunity for further consultation with the Governments of the Dominions. It is hoped that in view of the preparatory work accomplished the situation will so develop as to justify a subsequent meeting as soon as an opportune moment arrives. In that event, the Government of the United Kingdom, which initiated the present conversations, will take appropriate steps."

## SUBSTITUTE PLANS

When the United States and Japanese delegates have returned home and consulted their Governments, it is assumed that communications through normal diplomatic channels will take place on some of the several projects which have been under discussion during the London conversations.

Of these substitute plans, one which will probably be closely examined by the Powers in this way is understood to provide for voluntary unilateral announcements regarding naval programmes for a period of years in advance.

Although it is assumed that Japan will carry out her intention to give notice of termination of the Washington Treaty, there is no inclination here to regard such a step as ending the prospect of agreement on some such scheme, and the possibility is envisaged of the parties getting sufficiently close to acceptance to make it worth while to meet again. It is pointed out that in any event, denunciation must be regarded as a preliminary rather than a final step, for the Conference next year is provided for in the Treaty, which remains in force until 1936.—*British Wireless*.

## SILVER SHARES FAVOURED

MORE TALK OF DEVALUATION

New York, Dec. 19. The *Wall Street Journal* reports that traders on Wall Street are very interested in the silver situation, which seems to favour silver shares.

Due to certain silver matters increasing attention in all quarters, as well as the good prospect that the question will be brought up at the forthcoming Congress, some authorities are saying they would not be surprised if the silver dollar were devalued, thereby raising the price of silver to a level proportionate to gold.—*Swan, Culbertson and Fritz*.

Silver advanced 1/8th in London yesterday. Speculators bought and offerings were small, the market being steady.

## AID FOR COTTON INDUSTRY

GOVERNMENT PLANS RELIEF

London, Dec. 19. Methods for improving the position and competitive power of the cotton industry, which include a scheme for elimination of surplus spindles, was referred to by the President of the Board of Trade in answer to a Commons question to-day.

Mr. Runciman said he had promised that if proposals for the elimination of surplus spindles received support from a sufficiently influential proportion of the trade, he would be prepared to ask Parliament for statutory sanction for the collection of the necessary levy.

The scheme was based on an estimate of 30,000,000 running spindles. The Committee responsible for the scheme stated that the change would not impose an undue burden on the industry if spread equitably over all firms. If, however, they were unable to borrow the necessary money on the security provided, and the success of the scheme was thereby endangered, the Government would find some way to assist them to borrow the money.—*British Wireless*.

## MILLION A YEAR LEAGUE FEE

CHINA WILL PAY UP HER ARREARS

Nanking, Dec. 20. In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Membership Fee Committee of the League of Nations in dealing with China's demand for reduction in the annual membership fee, an arrangement has been reached with the League of Nations for the payment of membership fees overdue. It provides that the payment of arrears is to be spread over thirty years; that is, China has to pay an annual amount of \$1,200,000, commencing from next year, until 1964.—*Central News*.

## NEW HEADQUARTERS

Shanghai, Dec. 19. The Chinese General Post Office and the General Savings Department attached to it will be removed to Nanking next month as their new headquarters at the capital has just been completed.—*Central News*.

## DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

THERE ARE TIMES WHEN IT WOULD SEEM AS IF GOD FISHED WITH A LINE, AND THE DEVIL WITH A NET.—*Madame Swetchine*.

Banished on January 8 last, Chan Man was charged before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning for returning and was sentenced to nine months' hard labour. He stated that he had come back to cure an illness.

A Chinese woman was fined \$10 by Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for overcrowding ten full-grown chickens in a small crate. "How would you like to be stuffed into a basket with ten other people on top of you?" asked his Worship.

Pang Hong appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with stealing two brass bells from No. 689 Canton Road and pleaded guilty. The complainant was Li Pang, chairman of Yuen Tak Fung Tam-mith Guild, of which the defendant was also a member. Three weeks' hard labour was imposed.

## U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz have received the following quotations on the New York exchange for yesterday.

New York Cotton		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	12.43	12.50-12.50
January	12.47	12.50-12.51
March	12.57	12.58-12.58
May	12.58	12.58-12.59
July	12.58	12.58-12.59
October (1935)	12.42	12.43-12.44
Spot	12.75	12.75

New York Rubber		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	12.09	12.08-12.08
January	12.03	12.00-12.00
March	12.20	12.22-12.22
May	12.40	12.39-12.43
July	12.57	12.58-12.58
September	12.77	12.78-12.78
Total sales	—67 lots	

Chicago Wheat		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	98 3/4	97 1/4-97 3/4
May	99 1/4	98 1/4-98 3/4
July	93 1/4	92 1/4-92 3/4
Tuesday's sales	—18,531,000 bushels	

Chicago Corn		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	90 3/4	89 1/4-89 3/4
May	87 1/4	87 1/4-87 1/2
July	84 1/4	84-84 1/4
Total sales	—15,262,000 bushels	

Winnipeg Wheat		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	77 1/2	77 1/2-77 1/2
May	82 1/2	82 1/2-82 1/2
July	83 1/2	83 1/2-83 1/2

New York Sugar		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	1.95	1.99-1.99
March	1.79	1.77-1.78
May	1.83	1.82-1.83
July	1.97	1.85-1.86
Total sales	—12,000 tons	

New York Silk		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	1.29 1/2	1.30-1.30 1/2
March	1.30	1.31-1.31
May	1.31	1.32-1.32 1/2
Total sales	—196 lots	

Montreal Silver		
	Dec. 18. Close	Dec. 19. Closing Range
December	53.15	53.50-53.50
March	53.75	54.15-54.15
May	54.00	54.55-54.55
July	55.00	55.30-55.30
Total sales	—0 contracts	

NATIVITY PLAY		
"THE GLADDENING LIGHT" AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL		
A play entitled "The Gladdening Light," portraying the Nativity of Christ, was presented at St. John's Cathedral yesterday. Like all religious dramas, the play was notable for two qualities—devotion and simplicity. The obvious sincerity of the players and the dignity of the presentation of the theme were exactly the qualities required for such a religious play as "The Gladdening Light."		
The play itself was divided into four parts, depicting—Darkness, Dawn, Joy in Heaven, and Day. The words, which are entirely those of the Bible, have been taken from the Prophets of the Old Testament and from the Gospel story, and they have been arranged so as to show the darkness of a world without the Spirit of Christ giving way to the Day of His Kingdom. The attraction of such a play at this time of the year was demonstrated at yesterday's presentation, which was attended by a large audience.		
It will be repeated this evening at 6 p.m., and to-morrow at 9.15 p.m.		

RAW RUBBER		
LATEST SINGAPORE PRICES		
Messrs. Benjamin & Potts have received the following Straits currency quotations (buyers) from Singapore to-day for raw rubber:		
Spot	20 1/2	unchanged.
Jan./Mar.	21 1/4	up 1/4 ct.
Apr./June	23 1/4	up 1/4 ct.
July/Sept.	24 1/4	up 1/4 ct.
Market	Quiet.	

## RADIO BROADCAST

Children's Concert From The Studio

## Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles). 6-6 p.m. A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Grill Room. 6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert. 6.30-7 p.m. A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Grill Room. 7 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations. 7.08-7.25 p.m. A Pianoforte Recital by Wilhelm Backhaus.

- (a) Prelude and Study in C Major.
- (b) Chromatic Study in A Minor (Chopin).
- (c) Revolutionary Study, Op. 10, No. 12.
- (d) Study in F Major (Chopin).
- (e) Waltz in D Flat, Op. 64, No. 1.
- (f) Etude in C Major, Op. 10, No. 7. (Chopin).
- Waldestrauchen (Liszt).
- 7.25-8 p.m. Variety. Organ Solos—It was so Beautiful. Organ Solos—The Clouds will soon roll by.

Quentin M. Maclean. Songs—Out in the Cold, Cold Snow. Songs—Love's Last Word is spoken. Gracie Fields, (Comedienne). Piano Solos—Can't we talk it over. Piano Solos—Now that you're gone. Carroll Gibbons with his Boy Friends.

Vocal Duets—Fancy our Meeting. Vocal Duets—Now that I've found you. Jack Buchanan and Elsie Randolph.

Song—Farewell to Arms. Charles Carlisle (Tenor). Instrumental—Canadian Capers. Instrumental—Kitten on the Keys. The Six Keyboard Kings. 8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report. 8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations. 10.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations. 10.35 p.m. Close Down. All Relays of the Hongkong Hotel Orchestras are by courtesy of the Management.

## Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

8.30-10 p.m. European Recorded Music from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 k.c.s. 8.30-8.47 p.m. Peer Gynt Suite—No. 2 (Grieg, Op. 46). New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra.

8.47-9 p.m. From Foreign Lands (Moszkowski). Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

9-9.30 p.m. Concert Items. Cello Solo—Masurka, Op. 11 No. 3 (Toscani). Pablo Casals.

Songs—The Pipes of Pan (Monckton). Songs—Arcady is ever young (Monckton).

Winnie Melville (Soprano). Pianoforte Solos—Prelude in A Minor (Debussy).

Pianoforte Solos—Alt-Wien (Old Vienna) (Godowsky). Isabelle Yalkovsky.

Songs—Serenade (Havini). Songs—Come Back to Sorrento (De Curtis). Charles Kullman (Tenor).

Violin Solos—Marguerite (Rachmaninoff, arr. Kreisler). Violin Solos—Serenade (Lenar). Fritz Kreisler.

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

9.35-10 p.m. Debroy Somers Band. It's a Lovely War—Medley (arr. Debroy Somers). Balhous We Love—Selection (arr. Debroy Somers). What's Yours?—A Convivial Medley (arr. Debroy Somers).

10 p.m. Close Down.

## ZEESEN PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcasts From The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows.

South Asia Zone broadcast from DJD, (19.75 metres) and DJN (81.45 metres). 6.45 p.m. DJD, DJN Announcement (German, English, French, Polish, Beng. Programme—Forecast (German, English, Hindi).

5 p.m. Compositions on Composers. Little Stories, Anecdotes and Music. 5.30 p.m. News in English. 5.45 p.m. Popular Orchestral Concert. 6.45 p.m. News in German. 7 p.m. Light Music. 8 p.m. News in English. 8.15 p.m. Close down DJD, DJN (German, Hindi).

East Asia Zone broadcast through DJA on 11.15 metres and DJN (81.45 metres). 9 p.m. DJA, DJN Announcement (German, English, French, Polish, Beng. Programme—Forecast (German, English, Hindi).

9.15 p.m. Music and Festival Events. 9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN. 10 p.m. Various Programmes. At the Christmas Market. Uncle Gustave and Aunt Annie go shopping. Toys of All Sorts. Performances! The Brothers Walters' Orchestra. Ernst Petersmann, Rudolf Berger, Grete Wiedrich, Hermann Wiedrich etc.

11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and in Dutch on DJN. 11.30 p.m. Brass-Wind Music of All Peoples! The National Aviation Service Orchestra, conducted by Director-Flight-Captain Rudolf Schulten-Dorburg. 12.15 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN. 12.30 p.m. Close down DJA, DJN (German, English).

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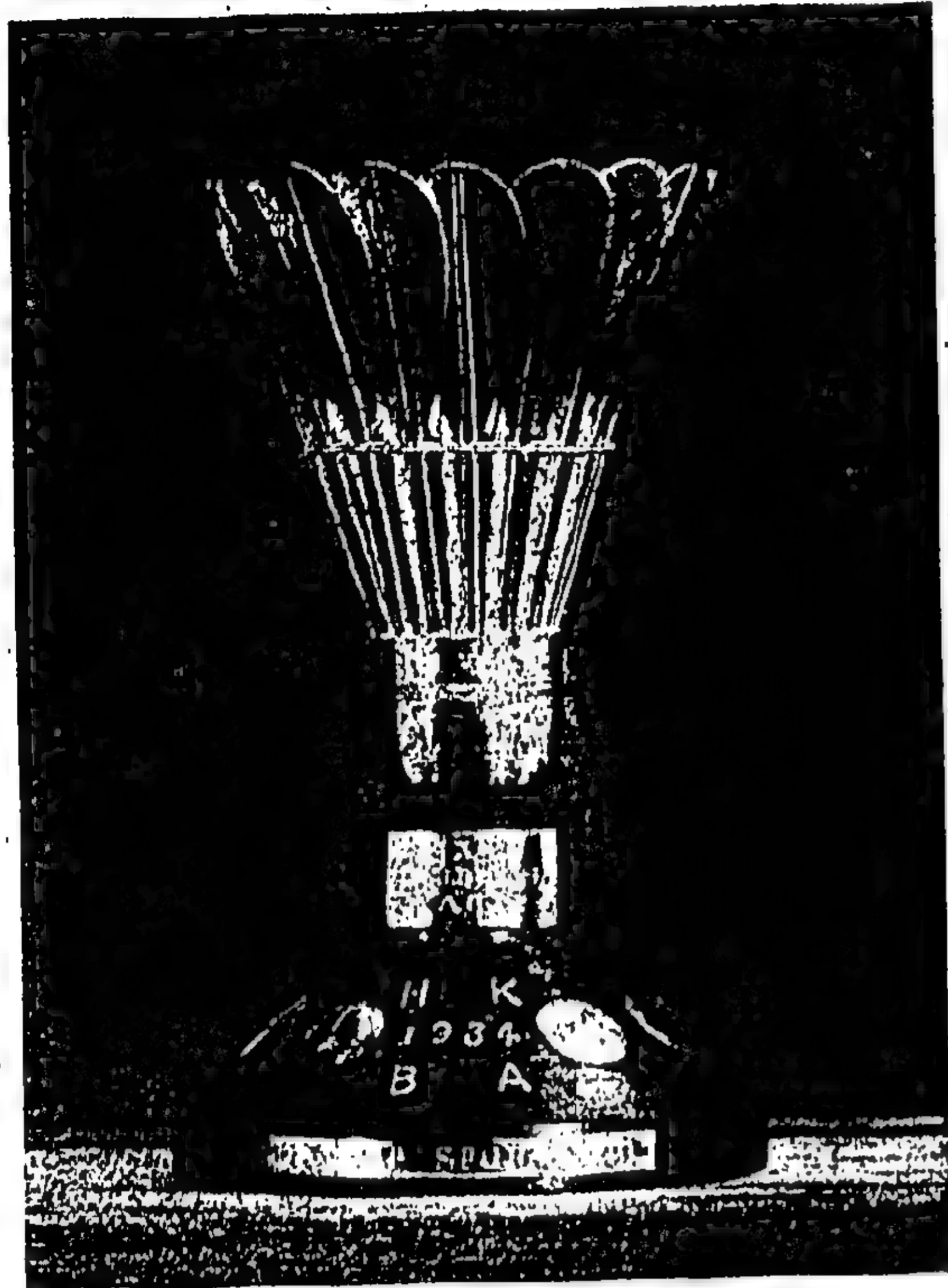
SENATOR'S OPPOSITION TO UNDERTAKING

Washington, Dec. 19. Senator Clark, a member of the

Inter-Ocean Canals Committee of the Senate, to-day said that he was opposed to the construction of the Nicaraguan canal, on the grounds that it would tend to develop the coasts to the detriment of the interior of the United States. —*United Press*.

# AMERICA'S DAVIS CUP CHANCES FOR 1935 DIMMED

## BADMINTON TROPHY



Above is a photograph of the handsome trophy presented by Dunlop Sports Co. for competition between Mixed Doubles teams in the Hongkong Badminton League.

## THE YEAR'S GOLF

### TRIUMPH OF YOUTH

Youth triumphant! That is the verdict of 1934—a golfing year which has seen the return of the Open Championship Cup to Great Britain and the arrival of many new promising players. The old order has changed. Newcomers have challenged the supremacy of players with established reputations, and many championship scrolls contain fresh names.

For British golf the year has been one both of delight and despair. Great Britain again failed to win the Walker Cup, and the women players went on a fruitless quest to America to be beaten in the first match for the Curtis Cup. Yet Henry Cotton's remarkable victory in the British Open Championship at Sandwich—the first home triumph for eleven years—came as a tonic to British golf, and enabling a look on the future with confidence.

Cotton equalled the championship aggregate of 283, and created records in some of his rounds. That was the "high-spot" of British golf of the year.

### SOME SUCCESSES

W. Lawson Little recaptured the Amateur Championship for America, and in doing so defeated J. Wallace, a Troon artisan, in the final by the record margin of 14 up and 12 to play. Little returned to the States to win his national amateur title, and he also assisted his country to retain the Walker Cup, which has been in their custody since the inception of the international contest with Britain.

Jack McLean won the Scottish amateur title for the third successive year, and Mrs. Holm, a class player for many years, won the British women's title for Scotland after a lapse of 23 years.

"Discoveries" of the year were: J. C. Brown, the Irish native champion; Hector Thomson, the Irish Open champion; Miss Phyllis Wade, the new English champion; and Miss Nancy Jupp, a 13-year-old Scot, who seasonally won the British Girls' Championship.

St. Brown, the South African champion, finished second to Cotton in the Open Championship, and won the French and Dutch Open titles before returning to the Cape.

The Macao hockey players will be leaving Hongkong on board the s.s. Tilawa on December 24 for Singapore, where they will engage local teams in a series of hockey matches, including an Interport game. They return on January 6.

The Macao Interport team will be opposed to the Incognitos in a practice match to be played on the Y.M.C.A. ground at King's Park on Saturday at 4 p.m. The ground is loaned by courtesy of the Y.M.C.A.



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## ALLISON AND SIDNEY POSSIBLE SINGLES PLAYERS

### Yesterday's Rugger Game

#### NAVY XV FAIL TO IMPRESS

(By "Lineaman")

The Navy will have to show up much better than they did yesterday if they are going to give the Club a good game on Saturday in their Triangular Tournament fixture. Against the Club "A" XV yesterday they were decidedly weak despite the fact that they scored 21 points without reply.

There wasn't a good three-quarter movement during the whole of the exchanges and the handling was also of a very poor order on both sides.

Crews, who was included in the Navy side as a try-out was conspicuous on several occasions with the Navy "threes" and it was through a brilliant cross-kick from near the corner flag that Dibsdall was able to touch down their second try. With the inclusion of Crews, Marsh, who usually plays as an inside three-quarter, moved into the full-back position.

Benson was the pick of the defence, showing a useful turn of speed and being responsible for grounding three of the tries.

The Club only had five of their first team in, namely Lammert at full-back, Robertson, three-quarter, and Peers, Munroe and Cumming, forwards. With the exception of these there was no one who figured prominently. Throughout the game the Club forwards were packing much too high.

The first try came soon after the start when the Club were two men short, Benson going over following a movement which started near the "25" line. Roome added the extras. Before the interval Dibsdall put the Navy further ahead when he grounded a nicely placed cross-kick from Crews which landed just behind the posts. Roome again converted.

The Navy opened strongly in the second half and Benson scored his second try when he intercepted a pass and reached the line just as he was brought down by Peers. Whitfield missed with the kick.

Hammett scored the next when he punted over Lammert's head and raced round him to touch down for an unconverted try. Benson obtained his third try soon afterwards when he gathered near to the "25" line and scored close to the posts. Roome majorised.

The Navy continued to have the better of the game territorially, keeping up constant pressure on the civilian defence, but they were robbed of a certain try when Cheyne, with only Lammert to beat him, and a few yards from the line sent out a bad forward pass.

Just on time Benson punted ahead over the line for Webster to score the last try before Lammert could reach the ball. Roome converted.

### THE TEAMS

The teams were:—  
Club: G. P. Lammert; M. W. Scott; C. A. Archer; L. G. Robertson and P. J. Gardner; R. H. Griffiths and D. A. Campbell; H. O. Bramble, W. E. Peers, B. D. G. Barlow, W. G. C. Knowles, G. B. Jones, K. A. Munro, F. J. McGugan and D. A. Cumming.

Navy: St. Marsh (Suffolk); Pay. Sub. Lieut. Biggle (Kent); Surg. Lieut. Benson (Medway); Lieut. Cheyne (Medway) and Sub. Lieut. Crews (Medway); Lt. Webster (Cornwall) and Lt. Forbes (Medway); Comdr. Roome (Medway); E. R. A. Galletley (Cornwall); Pay. Lt. Sowman (Kent); E. R. A. Dibsdall (Cornwall); Lt. Collard (Adventure); Lt. Kelburne (Falmouth); Lt. Comdr. Whitfield (Falmouth) and E. A. Hammett (Phoenix).

### R.A.M.C. WIN

A keen and interesting rugby game was witnessed at Soekunpoo yesterday afternoon, when the newly formed Royal Army Medical Corps team met a team from H. Q. wing of the Royal Welch Fusiliers. The medicals won by 14 points to nil.

Capt. Anderson opened the scoring with an unconverted try after 10 minutes play. Shortly afterwards, L/Cpl. Leigh scored after a good run. This try was also unconverted.

In the second half the Fusiliers had most of the game, but following a good movement started in the medicals half, Snooks, who played a standing game throughout, scored between the posts, which L/Cpl. Leigh converted. Just before the final whistle, Smart scored the fourth try which Stidston just failed to convert.

### LOTT'S 1935 TOUR

George Lott and Lester Stoeften turned professional; Frank Shields entered the movies. All of which dims American Davis Cup hopes for 1935.

George Lott, the world's foremost doubles player and member of every Davis Cup team since 1928 with the exception of 1932, signed to make a professional tour in 1935, opening at Madison Square Garden on January 2. Terms were not revealed, but it is understood he declined a \$10,000 straight offer in favour of 12½ per cent. of the gross receipts.

Lott and Stoeften scored the only point for the United States against England in the 1934 Davis Cup Challenge round. Later they successfully defended their United States national doubles title. In addition they hold the indoor title.

Lott was ranked among the first ten American singles players virtually every year for the past decade.

Frank Shields of New York, the country's No. 1 player entered the movies this month, but his



Lott and Stoeften.

contract permits him to continue playing tennis. Since he will not make tennis pictures, he still is regarded as an amateur. But experts fear that his movie work will not give him time for competitive play. Tournament competition takes much time and requires extensive travelling.

If Shields does not compete, Wilmer Allison and Sidney Lott probably will be the Davis Cup singles players next year according to Mercer Beasley, "unofficial coach" of the American Davis Cup Forces. Allison and John Van Ryn, or Gene Mako and Donald Budge, brilliant young California combination may make up the doubles combination.

Beasley said he hadn't decided if he would sanction a Davis Cup tryout by Parker, his star pupil, whom he ranks third on his predicted national rating behind Allison and Wood in that order. He indicated that he wanted Frankie to have one more year of seasoning before making a determined foray into international company.—United Press.

## AMERICAN FOOTBALL

### LOUISIANA CLUB COACH RESIGNS

Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 19. The Louisiana State Club's president has accepted the resignation of "Burr" Jones from his post of football coach.

Jones sent in his resignation as the result of his refusal to permit Senator Huey ("King Fish") Long to meddle with the Louisiana football team.—United Press.

It is announced that the draw for St. John's Cup Sweep organised in connection with the Fanning Hunt & Race Club's Steeplechase on Sunday, will take place at the Kwant which Stidston just failed to convert.

## BADMINTON LEAGUE

### LAST NIGHT'S MEN'S DOUBLES MATCHES

The K.C.C. dropped two points in the Men's Doubles "A" Division of the Hongkong Badminton League last night when they were defeated by seven games to two by St. Andrew's on their own Courts.

N.A.E. Mackay and F. V. Wong were the weakest Saints' pair and it was against them that the K.C.C. won their two games, C. Wigg and S. P. Simcocks and E. Zimmern and E.G. Warren being the victors.

### Scores

The full scores are appended: C. Wigg and S.P. Simcocks (K.C.C.) lost to E.F. Fincher and H. Kew, 8-21; lost to Chung and F.A. Broadbridge, 4-21; beat N.A.E. Mackay and F.V. Wong, 21-12.

E. Zimmern and E.G. Warren (K.C.C.) lost to Fincher and Kew, 5-21; lost to Chung and Broadbridge, 7-21; beat Mackay and Wong, 21-8.

L.E. Kirby and H.L. Langley (K.C.C.) lost to Fincher and Kew, 1-21; lost to Chung and Broadbridge, 10-21; lost to Mackay and Wong, 8-21.

### "B" DIVISION

In the "B" Division the V.R.C. were beaten by five games to four by Talkoo the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, registering a similar score against the Fire Brigade.

### S. and S. Home v. Fire Brigade

Clark and Bussey (S. and S. Home) lost to Shute and Fisher, 8-21; beat Greenwood and Fitzhenry, 21-8; beat Skinner and Woodard, 21-10.

Smith and Yang Chen (S. and S. Home) lost to Shute and Fisher, 1-21; beat Greenwood and Fitzhenry, 21-16; beat Skinner and Woodard, 21-7.

Bong and Wingfield (S. and S. Home) lost to Shute and Fisher, 1-21; lost to Greenwood and Fitzhenry, 14-21; beat Skinner and Woodard, 21-11.

### V.R.C. v. Talkoo

S. A. Rummah and J. A. Soares (V.R.C.) beat A. N. Stevens and C. Summers, 21-17; beat T. F. Stanton and A. W. Norrie, 21-5; lost to G. A. Smith and R. C. Thorne, 11-21.

C. M. Xavier and A. O. Barros (V.R.C.) lost to Stevens and Summers, 12-21; beat Stanton and Norrie, 21-17; lost to Smith and Thorne, 7-21.

C. N. Silva and A. O. Barretto (V.R.C.) lost to Stevens and Summers, 10-21; beat Stanton and Norrie, 21-6; lost to Smith and Thorne, 11-21.

## Y.M.C.A. Win Cue Match

### Beat Lincolns At Snooker And Billiards

The Y.M.C.A. defeated the Lincolns by 900 points to 835 in a friendly billiards and snooker match on the Y.M.C.A. tables last night, winning four of the six games played.

The scores were as under:

### BILLIARDS

Y.M.C.A. 200; Lincolns 180.  
E. Ponsford, 200; E. J. Young, 178; W. Snooker, 178.

### SNOOKER

J. F. Stickman, 140; L/Cpl. J. Green, 62.  
F. Fowler, 40; E. J. Young, 112.  
J. R. Loke, 120; Lieut. G. H. King, 55.

Total 900

Total 835

## HOME RUGBY

### OXFORD LOSE AGAIN IN IRELAND

London, Dec. 19. Oxford University rugby XV met with another defeat at the hands of an Irish team today when they went under to the Dublin Wanderers to the tune of 11 points to 7. On Monday the touring side lost to Trinity College, Dublin by 8 points to nil.

Playing at Portsmouth, Hampshire defeated Sussex by scoring six points without reply.—Reuter.

## PONY TRAINING TIMES

### FIRST GALLOPS OF NEW SUB., DERBY AND AUSTRALIAN GRIFFINS

#### POINTERS FOR 1935 SEASON

Of particular interest to followers of racing is the publication of the first list of training times of the new subscription griffins, Derby griffins and Australian griffins for the 1935 racing season, which were clocked yesterday morning at Happy Valley. Although it is much too early to discuss the chances of the many new candidates, readers should find useful pointers in the bi-weekly issues of these lists of training times in the Telegraph, between now and the annual meeting.

The majority of trainers were content to give their new sub some slow work to begin with. Impressive runners among this class were Deemster, Wadebridge, Lion Hunter, Winkfield, Chow Min and Inevitable Knight. Wadebridge was particularly good with his mile effort.

Mrs. Pearce's Trowbridge is considered one of the best griffins now in training. The pony did a slow six furlong gallop but finished strongly in 30 seconds. Another griffin, Iron Cross, covered the mile in fair time and finished well.

New Australian griffins which merit watching are Racing Lady, Fairy, Julius Caesar and Iron Duke.

The letter S stands for subs, G for griffins and A for Australian ponies. Details of times clocked yesterday appear below:

	Dist.	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	5th.	Last
	tan.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.
Trent	S	1 37	1 12	1 47.3	2 25	3 05	40
Clyde	S	1 37	1 12	1 47.3	2 23.3	2 59.1	35.3
Invermark	S	1 37	1 12	1 47.3	2 23.1	2 58	34.4
Sinkajewin	G	1 41.2	1 20.4	2 00.3	2 34.2		33.4
Iron Cross	G	1 37	1 17	1 46	2 16.1		31.1
No Can	S	1 45	1 25	2 02	2 39	3 13	34
Malinee Idol	S	1 45	1 25	2 02	2 39	3 13	34
Cayuse	A	1 39	1 17	1 52	2 23		31
Garry	G	1 41.1	1 20	1 54			30
Trowbridge	G	1 36.2	1 13	1 47	2 20.3		32.3
Ythan	G	1 30.2	1 13	1 47	2 20.3		32.3
Gloucey	G	1 30.2	1 13	1 47	2 20.3		32.3
Fummary Hill	G	1 41.1	1 14	1 48			34
Estry	G	1 38.3	1 15.2	1 47			31.3
The Chetah	S	1 45	1 19	1 50			31
Racing Lassie	A	1 35	1 08.1	1 40			31.4
Silver Fox	S	1 46	1 27.2	2 09	2 47.3		33.3
The Snipe	S	1 46	1 27.2	2 09	2 47.3		33.3
Inclusion	S	1 48.2	1 28.3	2 06	2 45		30
Glittering Glory	S	1 43	1 23.1	2 03.2	2 39.1	3 16	
Leading Bee	S	1 43	1 23.1	2 03.2	2 39.1	3 16	
Lord Colonel	G	1 37.3	1 13	1 46	2 19		33
Mistake Bay	G	1 37	1 21	2 01.3	2 40	3 12	32
Pontiac Bay	G	1 37	1 21	2 01.3	2 40	3 12	32
What About That	S	1 42	1 20	1 59	2 33.1		34.1
Strathaird	S	1 42	1 20	2 00	2 40	3 10.3	33.3
Strathaird	S	1 42	1 20	2 00	2 40	3 10.3	33.3
Golden Millar	S	1 41.3	1 18	1 52.4	2 25.1		32.2
Touch Stone	S	1 41.3	1 18	1 52.4	2 25.1		32.2
Racing Lady	A	1 38	1 13	1 46	2 18	2 40	30
Pacific Hall	G	1 41.3	1 20.3	1 50.2	2 31		31.3
Felbridge	S	1 49	1 50	2 22	3 02	3 33.2	31.2
Fairy	A	1 37.3	1 10.1	1 40.2	2 00.3		26.1
Bo'd Captain	S	1 36	1 12	1 40	2 31		35
Bold Soldier	S	1 36	1 12	1 40	2 31		35
Jack Tar	G	1 49	1 36	2 17	2 40		32
Blacksmith	S	1 44	1 30	2 14	2 55.1		41
Mildred Hall	S	1 44	1 25	2 04	2 37		32.4
Lockley Hall	S	1 44	1 25	2 04	2 37		32.4
17th of September	S	1 32	1 00	1 30			36
Gold Picker	J	1 32	1 03	1 30			36
Julius Caesar	A	1 31.3	1 03	1 30			31
Deemster	S	1 45	1 28.3	2 10	2 44		34
E 24	S	1 45	1 28.3	2 10	2 44		34
Victoria Hall	G	1 44	1 25	2 02.4	2 42	3 16	34
Windsor Hall	G	1 44	1 25	2 02.4	2 42	3 16	34
Snow River	A	1 41	1 25	2 15	2 50	3 17	27
Lady Wiltsa	A	1 41.1	1 20	1 54	2 26.2		32.2
Wadebridge	S	1 35	1 08.2	1 43.2			36
High Principle	S	1 35	1 08.2	1 43.2			36
High Standard	S	1 35	1 08.2	1 43.2			36
Gold Dust	S	1 35	1 08.2	1 43.2			36
Twenty Grand	G	1 47	1 34.4	2 16	2 52	3 24	32
Bonny Dundee	G	1 44	1 26.4	2 04	2 36		32
Lion Hunter	S	1 36.2	1 09.3				33
Winkfield	S	1 35	1 07	1 39			32
Iron Duke	S	1 37	1 11.2	1 45			32.3
Inevitable Knight	S	1 37	1 11.2	1 45			32.3
Light Brigade	S	1 37	1 11.2	1 45			32.3
Chow Min	S	1 35	1 10	1 45			35

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## AMERICAN FOOTBALL FEATURE THIS WEEK-END

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HONGKONG'S NEW TRICK PLAYS

(By "Gridiron")

American Football will be one of the feature sports attractions for the week-end. On Sunday afternoon, at 3.30 p.m. on Hongkong Football Club Ground a grand American collegiate game, between Coach Fred Chang Dr. J. M. Henry's strong Lingnan University team from Canton and the local eleven coached by Harry Chang, husky tackle from Hawaii. This will be the second game to be played in Hongkong in the last eight years.

These two teams met in a whale of a game, which was packed full of action and thrills, on Thanksgiving Day in Canton, and delighted thousands of fans in the Chinese city. In this tussle, the Canton pigskin carriers took the measure from their Hongkong rivals, scoring two touchdowns to nil.

Since this game, both teams have been working daily with stiff scrimmages for their return meeting in Hongkong, and the game on Sunday should provide as much or even more thrills for those who venture out to Happy Valley Sunday afternoon.

### HONGKONG STRENGTHENED

Hongkong has developed two more additional trick plays in addition to those they pulled against Lingnan up in the Chinese city three weeks ago. During their preparation for this return game, they have strengthened their forward wall, and have developed a running attack that will cause Lingnan considerable worry when mixed in with forward passes. They spent the whole of last week perfecting their forward passes and many open plays will be seen in Sunday's match.

From the Chinese city, Coach Chang has been driving his maroon and gray chargers almost every day, concentrating on their line attack, and long passes. Their plays are being centred around William Meeker, tough fullback, triple threat man from Whittier University, and Lawrence Lew, 160-lb half back from University of Washington.

It was William Meeker's display in defence that checked the Hongkong team from scoring on Thanksgiving Day, and Hongkong has realized the fact that Meeker must be stopped on Sunday. It was learned that Joe Kau, Lingnan's halfback, who was injured in the last game, will not be seen in Lingnan's lineup this

Sunday. His position will be filled by Danny Lai, who has shown considerable promise and lots of speed.

The probable lineup for Sunday's match are as follows:—

Hongkong	Positions	Lingnan
M. Chang	LER	Woodrow Moe
H. Chang	LTR	Robert Scrim
Choy Siu	LGR	Daniel Lau
J. Long	C	Gabriel Lau
S. Ching	RGL	Bill Leong
George Lee	RTL	Jerome Holmes
Ed Lee	REL	Harold Dang
Ed Chang	Q	Kit Chung
Waller Ching	RIL	D. Lai
Wallace Ching	LIR	Lawrence Lew
Charlie Kweck	F	Wm. Meeker

### FRIENDLY CRICKET

I.R.C. 1st Eleven Against Kowloon C.C.

The following will represent the Indian R. C. first eleven in their friendly cricket match against the Kowloon C.C. on Saturday at the Kowloon Cricket Club ground commencing at 2 p.m.:

F. D. Pereira (Capt.), A. R. Minu S. A. Ismail, A. H. Rumjahn, M. P. Madar, A. R. Abbas, A. Rahmin, A. M. Omar, A. M. Rumjahn, M. el Arculli and Y. Hassan. Reserve, T. Ali.

INDIAN JUNIORS  
The following will represent the Indian R. C. junior team against the Police in a friendly match at Happy Valley: A. K. Ismail (Capt.), M. H. Abbas, A. Baker, A. H. Baker, A. R. Kitchell, M. I. Razack, M. Atzal, A. K. Saffad, T. Hamel, Y. el Arculli and J. S. A. Curran.

SCHOOL MATCH  
In a friendly cricket match played at the Diocesan Boys' School grounds yesterday, the Headmaster's Eleven defeated the D. B. S. Eleven by seven wickets. The winning team compiled a total of 161 runs for seven wickets, the top-scorers being D. J. Luard (38 retired), A. T. Lee (23 retired), and A. J. Saunders (22 not out). The D. B. S. Eleven hit up 95 runs, their top-scorer being Hulso (20). A. T. Lee captured four wickets for 11 runs, for the Headmaster's Eleven.

## Seven-a-Side Hockey

Teams For Ladies  
Tourney On Saturday

Everything is now set for the Hongkong Ladies' Seven-a-Side hockey tournament which is to take place on Saturday afternoon on the C.B.A. ground, King's Park, bully-off at 3 p.m.

Six teams have entered and there is promise of some good hockey. At the conclusion of the event a cup, which has been presented for competition by Mrs. T. E. Pearce, President of the Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Association, will be handed over by her to the winning team.

### THE TEAMS

The competing teams are as follow:

C.B.A.:—F. Walker, P. Wobley; M. Bryson, E. Beavin; M. Whitley; E. Woolley, R. Blackmore.  
C.B.S.:—R. Stevenson; K. Moir, M. McCaw, J. Lakeman; E. Rousseau, H. Knill, A. Martin.  
Club de Recreio:—C. Osmund, M. Banto; M. Xavier, L. Xavier; L. Silva Netto, A. Alves, M. Remedios.

Hongkong Ladies: E. M. Gray; A. Jacka, B. Pope, N. McKenna; P. M. Harrop, J. Churchill, C. Ferguson.

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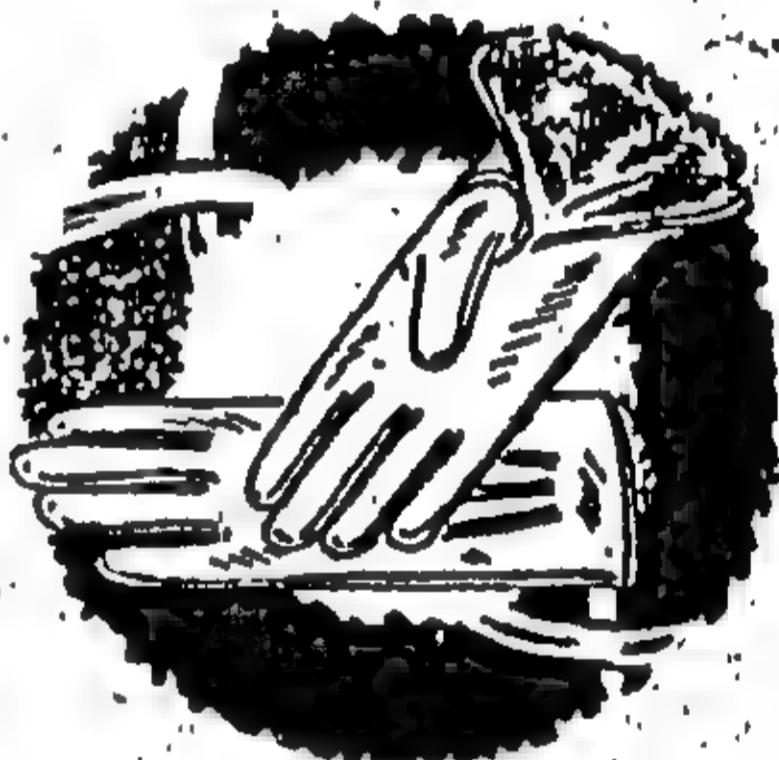


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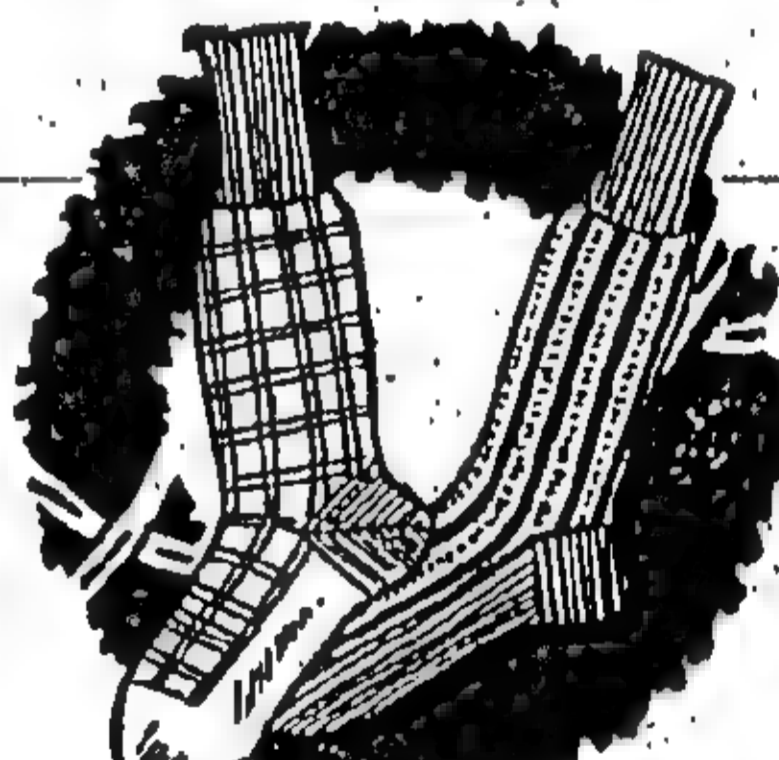
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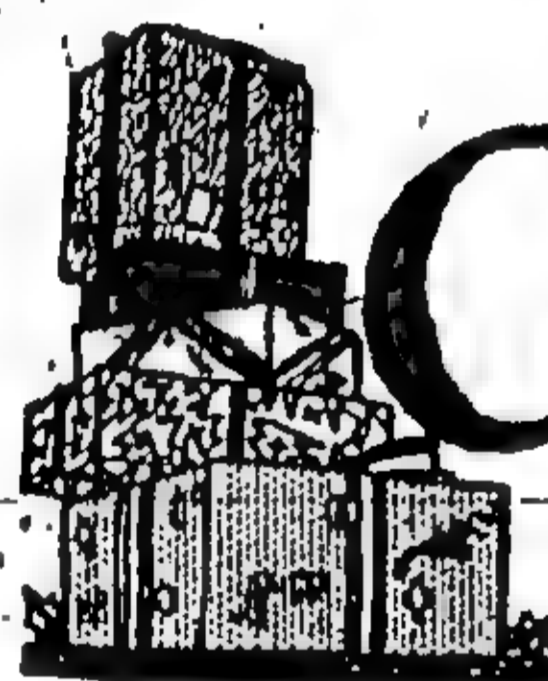
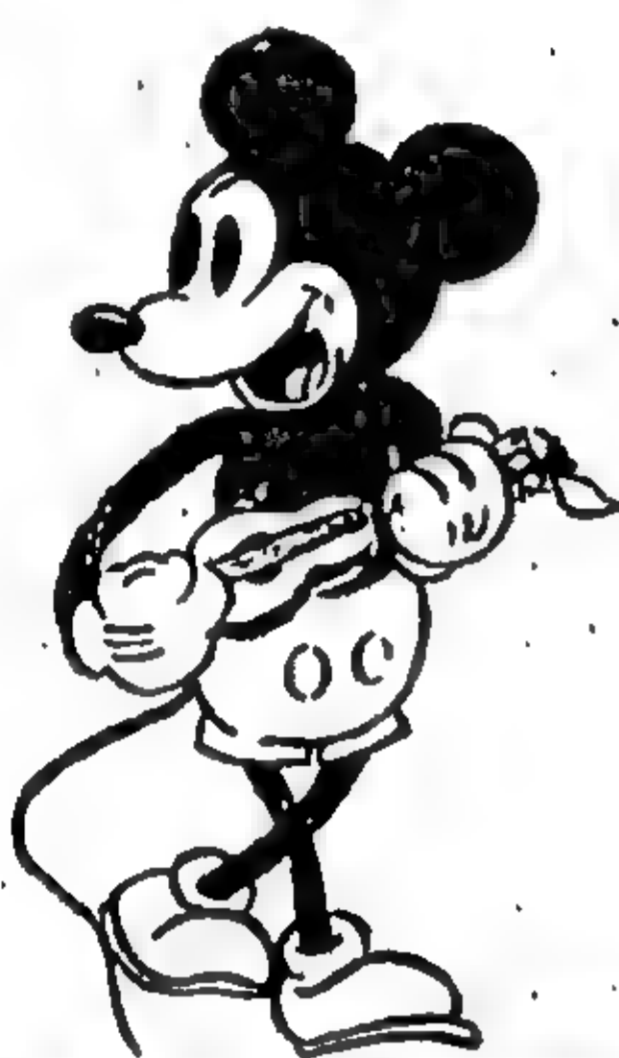
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The wedding took place at Christ Church, Sharnbrook, on Tuesday afternoon, of Miss Mary D. Ricketts and Mr. Gaundry Phillips, the Rev. C. D. Cousins, London Mission, officiating at the ceremony.

The bride, who is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Ricketts of Vancouver, B.C., Canada, was born in Hongkong and, for some time, lived in Canton until the family moved to Canada. For the past two and a half years, she has been teaching at St. Hilda's School in Canton. The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Phillips of Vancouver, B.C., Canada. He was born in Pontyfridd, South Wales, but left for Canada at an early age. Mr. Phillips has been teaching in Hongkong for the past year and a half and is now a member of the staff of the Ying Wa Boys' College in Kowloon.

**Bride in White Satin**

The bride, who was given away by the Rev. H. Davies of the New Zealand Presbyterian Mission at Canton, looked charming in a white satin gown. With this was worn a short train and a long veil held in place by a wreath of orange blossom. Little Miss Ruth Benson as train-bearer was dressed in an ankle-length golden brown silk dress. The bride carried a bouquet of white and yellow chrysanthemums.

The Misses Jean McNeur, of Kong Chuen (New Zealand Presbyterian Mission), and Ruth McCullough, teacher at Lingnan University, Canton, were bridesmaids and wore green silk gowns trimmed with cream lace. Cream gloves and cream silk hats were worn and bouquets of copper-tinted chrysanthemums were carried.

**Flower Girls in Brown**

The two flower girls, the Misses Lois Benson and Mary Lee Rankin, wore ankle-length golden brown silk dresses, brown velvet hair bows and carried baskets of gold chrysanthemums.

Mrs. H. Davies, who acted in place of the bride's mother, chose a figured brown silk gown with brown silk coat, hat and shoes to match. She carried a colonial bouquet of brown button chrysanthemums.

The duties of best man were undertaken by Mr. Geof. Smith of Vancouver and of the Lingnan University.

Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. H. Davies at Kong Chuen, Canton. After the health of the happy couple had been proposed, they left for their honeymoon, which is being spent in Manila. On leaving, Mrs. Phillips wore a green swaggar suit, fawn hat and gloves with brown shoes and stockings. She carried a green purse.

**CINEMA NEWS**

**NOTES FROM THE THEATRES**

After more than two years of preparatory work, actual filming of "Treasure Island", world famous Robert Louis Stevenson story of pirate adventure, has been completed by the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios, and the picture will be shown from Saturday at the Queen's Theatre. In bringing this book to the screen the studio problem has been to retain the utmost fidelity in the plot and characters which have been vividly impressed on the minds of millions of readers both young and old. Dozens of adaptations were prepared and then scrapped because they did not express the full strength of the Stevenson original. Finally each character was analyzed for its value to the story with dialogue as in the original plot. The result is said to offer a literal translation of the book to celluloid with a maximum of realism and visual power. An outline of photographic effects was prepared before the filming to ensure pictorial values in every scene. Emphasis was placed on the position of players in composition of settings so that each sequence would have the power of a painter's canvas. The power of casting more than fifty individual characters in addition to the leading roles has resulted in some of the finest players in Hollywood being chosen for the picture.

Wallace Beery in the role of Long John Silver is said to be an exact personification of the book character; and with Jackie Cooper as Jim Hawkins, boy adventurer, the Stevenson atmosphere of youth and the sparkle of new experience is assured. The famous whaling ship "Nanuk" used by the M-G-M expedition for the filming of "Eskimo" was rebuilt as the "Hesperia", the ship that carries the adventures on their treasure hunt. Included in the cast with Beery and Cooper are such notable players as Lionel Barrymore, as Billy Bones; Otto Kruger, Lewis Stone, Nigel Bruce, "Chic" Sale and dozens of others. Victor Fleming, known for his vigorous work on "Rendezvous" and "Red Dust", directed.

**"Just Smith"**

"Just Smith" the new Tom Wall's picture is a Gaumont-British adaptation of Frederick Lonsdale's successful stage comedy "Never Come Back", and has been directed by Tom Wall. Smith is a high-class crook whose chief delight as well as his livelihood is to relieve the wealthy of their negotiable riches. In this instance he plays upon the weakness of his intended victim for titled folk in order to be entertained as guest at the lady's home in the country. There a valuable necklace is stolen and many are suspected. The enquiry detective eventually convinces himself that Smith is straightened out, but Smith still remains an enigma. A picture well played in the Wallian manner that is bound to be a success. Tom Wall plays lead and is admirably supported by Anne Grey, Carol Goodner, Leslie Perrins, Hartley Power, Eva Moore, Peter Gawthorne and others.

**"Hollywood Speaks"**

"Hollywood Speaks", Columbia film now showing at the Alhambra, is a timely story of Hollywood. The truth about the extra-girl is revealed—the inside dope on the great directors; an intimate kaleidoscope view of studio life on the other side of the camera. It's Hollywood turned inside out. Genevieve Tobin and Pat O'Brien head a cast that in-

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"Uncertain Lady" the Universal picture opening to-day at the Queen's Theatre is a corking comedy drama of a business woman who thought she was smart enough to play with love openly and make her husband, who seemed to have gone temporarily astray, come back to the fold. It is easy to imagine the comedy situation of two women, apparently fighting over the type of husband you know Edward Everett Horton would portray. Genevieve Tobin is the appealingly beautiful but calculating business wife, a role she has played to perfection in many fine pictures. Horton is the over-nervous, over-timid and certainly un-glamorous husband. When his business wife finds he wants to be off with another woman she agrees to "give him his freedom" provided he finds her a new husband. Imagine the possibilities in that theme! They have all been fully realised by the excellent direction of Karl Freund. The supporting cast includes such players as Paul Cavanaugh, Dorothy Peerson, Renee Gadd, George Meeker, Herbert Cortell, Mary Nash and in this entertaining picture, Renee Gadd, beautiful young English actress, makes her first appearance on the American screen.



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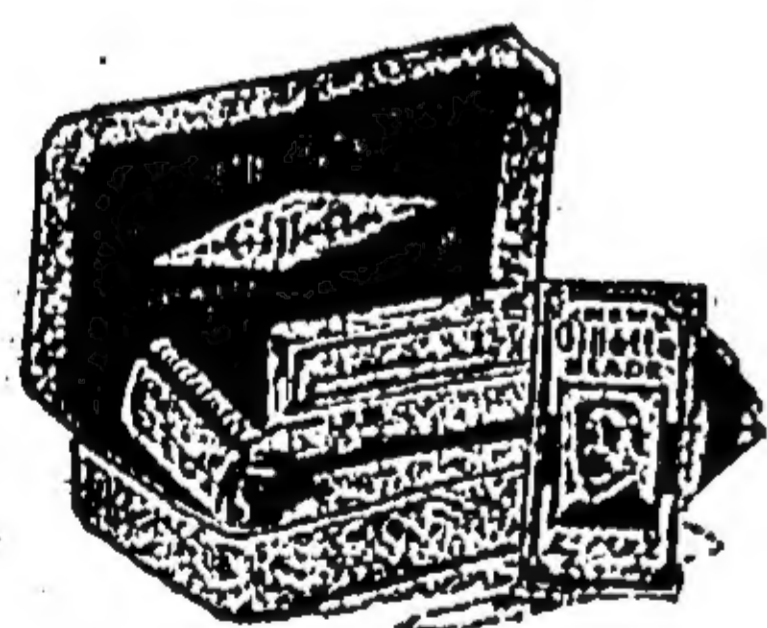
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#### MISPLACEMENT OF POWDER SUGGESTED BY JURY

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, sitting as Coroner, conducted an inquiry into the death of Lo Fat, 50, a workman of the Kin San Contractors, who died as the result of an explosion on the new site of the No. 3 (Upper Level) Police Station on November 26.

The Coroner was assisted by the following jury:—Mr. G. L. Hill and Mr. Chan Nai-in.

Inspector M. H. Hourigan was present on behalf of the Police. Dr. L. D. Pringle, medical officer in charge of the Victoria Mortuary, said that the cause of death was rupture of the heart due to the degeneration of its muscle following a blow on the chest. In his opinion, it was not a heavy blow.

He added that from the appearance of the wounds of the skin it could not have been a powerful explosion. There was no burning and the wounds were such as might have been caused by merely throwing stones at the person.

Liu Fuk, coolie foreman, testified that Lo Fat knew nothing about blasting. At 8.45 a.m. on the day in question, deceased was holding a 12 lb hammer and hit a rock as the rock was one foot higher than the level surface in the nullah. In the course of striking there was an explosion. Witnesses were surprised by it. The blast sounded as usual: no more, no less.

Li Ki, another foreman, said that on the evening of November 25 there were two blasts. Liu Yau, a quarryman, was in charge of setting the blasts. Liu Yau left after finishing his work on November 25 and witness had never seen him again. It was witness's duty to direct the holes to be drilled and their positions. He inspected them at the finish.

The Coroner: Can you offer any explanation why this shot went off twice?

#### Powder Overlooked?

Witness replied the rock was not properly split the previous night and it was possible that one packet of powder did not go off. The paper may have prevented the fuse from getting to it.

Witness examined the hole the previous night and found it was cracked but not broken to pieces.

His Worship suggested that if water were poured into the hole after a discharge it might prevent a happening of this nature in the future. Witness agreed.

Replying to the Coroner, witness said Liu Yau had worked for one week. He was a good quarryman, knew about blasting and obeyed instructions.

His Worship mentioned that he sent the papers to the Government Analyst, who had expressed an opinion on paper that the rock dug from the hole resisted part of the blast. Shock, friction or percussion could cause a blast.

The Coroner: Is it possible that the charge was an old charge and had been overlooked?

Witness: No. After Chan Ming, a labourer who was standing nearby at the time of the accident, had given evidence, the Coroner summed up briefly.

The jury, after a brief retirement, returned a verdict of accidental death due to some misplacement or dampening of the powder and added, as a rider, the suggestion that precaution might be adopted of pouring water in the shot-hole of a discharge before permitting work to proceed the following day.

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# SERIAL STORY

## The Clue Of The Forgotten Murder:

By CARLETON KENDRAKE

## CHAPTER XXXVIII

Fisher turned to the two men. "Have you gentlemen any questions you want to ask?"

Griff shook his head. "I'm satisfied," he said.

Bleeker hesitated for a moment. Then he said, "No, there's nothing I can think of."

Griff turned to the girl. "I want her promise," he said, "that she won't leave this room for at least an hour."

Fisher turned to the girl. "You heard what he said?"

"Who is he?" she asked. "And why do I have to do what he says?"

"Because I'm telling you to," Fisher said. "He's working on the same side of the case that I am."

"Very well," she said. "I'll promise."

"Naturally," Griff remarked, turning to the attorney, "we should look up this Malone woman."

"She comes next," Fisher agreed. "Can you," asked Griff, "tell me what this thing is all about?"

"You know almost as much as I do," the lawyer told him. "I have been having some difficulty tracing this young woman. I finally succeeded. I think that there is a very deep plot afoot. I am afraid that the plot has already gone too far."

"You know this chauffeur well?" Griff asked.

"Not well enough," the lawyer said. "I will admit that I overlooked a bit there. I thought that there was something mysterious about the bequest to the chauffeur which Mr. Cathay insisted on putting in the will. I have thought from time to time that the chauffeur was a little too sure of himself, that his manner at times bordered on insolence, but I haven't taken the trouble to make any complete investigation. I see now that I should have done that, as Cathay's attorney and as a friend of the family."

Griff nodded, his eyes were half-closed.

"I suggest," he said, "that we discuss this matter further in the lobby of the hotel. Stella Mockley has promised us to remain here. I feel certain that she will do so. I think that now she realizes only too well the seriousness of the crime in which she has become involved."

Fisher took Griff's arm, nodded to Bleeker. The three men left the room, walked slowly down the corridor.

"Gentlemen," said Fisher in a low voice which showed the intensity of his concentration, "you can commence to appreciate the real situation. Here we have a crook whose name, evidently, is Peter Malone. He has undoubtedly made a study of the life and habits of Frank B. Cathay. Why, I do not know, he cashed a small cheque while he was masquerading as Cathay. I do not know the reason for that unless it was, perhaps, to test out his signature."

"I am commencing to think that this scheme is something that has been years in the making," said Griff. "But for some sinister purpose Peter Malone is about to confuse his identity with that of Frank B. Cathay."

"But," Griff pointed out, "Cathay is dead. A live man could not very well confuse his identity with a corpse."

"That is true," the lawyer said. "But let us not lose sight of the salient and significant facts. Let me

check them with you. First, Peter Malone takes steps to identify himself as Frank B. Cathay. He goes to the trouble of perfecting his signature so that it is an almost perfect forgery of the signature of Frank B. Cathay. He goes to the trouble of picking the pocket of Frank B. Cathay in order to secure identifying cards. He goes to considerable expense in connection with the renting of an automobile and getting a room in a hotel where he can masquerade for a short time only as Cathay. While he is making this masquerade he cashes a small cheque. I ask you, therefore, what can possibly be the motive of such a crime?"

Griff suddenly gave an exclamation. "By Jove!" he said. "I have it!"

Fisher stared steadily at him.

"Wait a moment," he said, "and see if you conclusions check with mine."

"I was thinking," Griff said slowly, "that cashing the cheque might be much more important than the amount of cash received."

Bleeker frowned at the two men. "I confess," he said, "I don't follow you."

Fisher's nod became gloomily emphatic. "Beyond any question," he said, "that is it."

"What is it?" Bleeker asked.

The attorney turned to him.

"You are a newspaper publisher," Mr. Bleeker. I am acting as attorney for Mrs. Cathay and for the Cathay estate. My duty to my client probably requires me to keep silent and yet we have been thrown together in this investigation sufficiently so that I feel it is in a measure, a joint undertaking, and therefore, I am going to outline this theory to you—a theory which I feel certain will be amply supported by proof. I am going to ask you, however, for your word of honour that you will allow no rumour of this to creep into a paper until we are ready to make the announcement."

"Fair enough," Griff said to Bleeker. "Promise him."

"I'm making no promises," Bleeker stubbornly insisted. "I'll listen to what you have to say and then I'll decide when it will be published."

Griff reached out to press the button which would call the elevator.

"Don't do that just yet," Fisher said. "I want to think."

He moved slightly apart from the two men, started pacing thoughtfully up and down the carpeted corridor. Bleeker caught Griff's eye.

"I make no blind promises," he said. "What is your theory?"

"I'd prefer you hear it from the lips of the attorney," Griff said, "but evidently we're faced with a conspiracy of murder. I think Fisher is going to tell us about it. It wouldn't hurt you to have given him that promise. I can assure you you won't suffer by it."

"I'm not relying on your assurance," the publisher said. "I'm making no promises."

Fisher apparently reached a sudden decision. He turned and strode along the corridor until he faced the two men.

"Gentlemen," he said in tones of quiet determination, "promise or no promise, I am going to tell you my theory of this case. It is a theory which is amply substantiated by the facts. In the developments which are bound to follow we will have need

of some friendly newspaper that understands what is back of the entire situation. I can justify the disclosure which I am about to make upon that ground. It is vital to my client that she have some newspaper that understands the complete situation."

"For some reason this man, Peter Malone, wishes to take the identity of Frank B. Cathay, not for something that is to be done in the future, but for something that has been done in the past. He has, over a period of years, perfected his signature so that it resembles that of Frank B. Cathay. However, he knows that there is likely to be some question as to the signature. Therefore, he desires to have an identical signature for purposes of comparison, which handwriting experts can uncover among the supposedly genuine documents of Frank B. Cathay."

"For that reason it becomes imperative that he cash a cheque under the forged signature; that such a cheque be found among the effects of Frank B. Cathay, as unquestionably a genuine cheque. He takes the trouble to go, therefore, to a hotel. He knows he will require some cards of identification. He takes the trouble to pick Cathay's pocket of these cards. With that as a background, he cashes a cheque at the hotel. That was all that he intended to do. That was the purpose of his impersonation. He then intended to disappear."

"Unfortunately, however, he was of an amorous disposition as is so frequently the case with criminals of his type. He allowed himself to become involved with a young woman made things very easy for him. In fact, considering her story, she was perhaps the aggressor in making the acquaintance. The man saw no reason why he should not yield to the temptation of the moment but fate intervened. In company with the young woman he was arrested for a minor traffic violation. He was taken to police headquarters. He tried desperately to secure his release, without giving the name of Cathay. He might have done so had the police not checked up the registration of the car he was driving and found that it had been rented under the name of Cathay. Having gone that far, there was only one thing to do. That was to rely upon the identity of Cathay to get him released from jail as quickly as possible."

"But," Bleeker objected, "that doesn't make sense—it isn't logic."

"Why isn't it logic?" the attorney asked.

"Because, if this Peter Malone wanted to establish his signature as that of Frank Cathay he defeated his own purpose. Just as soon as Cathay would receive his statement from the bank he would recognize that the cheque was one he had not given and that it was a forgery."

Fisher's smile was just a little patronizing.

"I think, Mr. Bleeker," he said, "that you have missed the deadly significance of this entire matter, but I feel certain that your companion, Mr. Griff, is keenly aware of it. Shall you tell him, Mr. Griff, or shall I?"

(To Be Continued.)

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### MURDER SEQUEL

#### FOUR ACCUSED MEN DISCHARGED

Of the five men charged in connection with the murder of a coolie named Lam Ming, alias Lam Chan-hing, aged 32, in Queen's Road East on October 23 last, four were discharged by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning.

This step was taken on the application of Detective-Sergeant Fitches, who told his Worship that the police could offer no evidence against them. It was also stated that the evidence collected against them could not even sustain a charge of aiding and abetting.

The four men discharged were Ho Cheong, alias Cheong Hak-chai; Lam Kau, alias Lam Po-chi; Chung Kwong-cheung, alias Cheung Shu-nam; and Lam Yau-cheung, alias Cheung Tau-pel. Only one man, Li Shing, alias Ying-wah, aged 25, is being held in connection with the murder.

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N. C. & P. Gold share Index	72.5	Market
Index	110.000	Market

### MR. TANG CHEK-YU

#### SOUTH-WEST STALWART PASSES AWAY

Canton, Dec. 19. Mr. Tang Chek-yu, one of the founders of the South-West Political Council, and a member of the Supervisory Committee of the Central Kuomintang, died at his residence here this evening at the age of 67.

### PICKPOCKET CHARGED

#### MONEY TAKEN AT PEEP-SHOW

Leung Cheung, aged 33, of No. 74 Yee Wo Street, appeared on remand before Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of stealing \$1.81 from Pang Cho, an apprentice stoker of the steam launch Gannet. Defendant had previously pleaded guilty.

Sub-Inspector Cunningham said he had been instructed to ask for committal in this case.

When shown defendant's criminal record, the Magistrate remarked that he had already served a two years' sentence at the Supreme Court. "I think the case had better be dealt summarily," his Worship remarked and remanded the defendant for 24 hours.

Sub-Inspector Cunningham remarked that Mr. Murphy A.D.C., had suggested committal.

It was stated that the complainant was robbed while watching a peep-show in Temple Street outside the Tin Hau Temple. It was alleged that the defendant used the common "hat trick".

### EXPULSION OF HUNGARIANS

#### STATEMENT IN THE COMMONS

London, Dec. 19. The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, stated, in reply to a Commons question, that mass expulsions of Hungarian refugees from Yugoslavia ceased more than a week ago, and though a limited number of deportations would seem to have taken place since, for reasons which cannot be stated with certainty, the majority of them were the result of normal application of the Yugo-Slav aliens regulations.—British Wireless.

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